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# CROSSING OF THE DNIIEPER

## Furious Battles Along River

## TYPHOON NEARING COLONY

Present indications are that the typhoon is moving slowly nearer to Hong Kong and that we shall experience a stiffer blow than we are having at the moment.

In reply to an inquiry from the "China Mail" this morning, Mr. B. D. Evans, Director of the Royal Observatory, said:—  
"The typhoon is about 30 miles S.E. of Hong Kong, moving slowly N.N.W."

### Inquiry Postponed

No. 9 signal, indicating that the gale is expected to increase, was hoisted shortly after 9.30 a.m. and the tramway and ferry services stopped running about fifteen minutes later.

Both the public session and that in camera, of the A.R.P. Department Inquiry Commission scheduled for to-day have been postponed.

The time of resumption of the Inquiry will be announced later.

Later,

At the time the No. 9 Signal was hoisted the typhoon was some 30 miles south-east of the Colony moving in a north-north-west direction heading close to the Colony.

### Strong Gusts

Strong gusts of wind were experienced during the night and early this morning, the highest velocity recorded by the Royal Observatory being 77 miles per hour at 5.45 a.m.

A few minutes after the hoisting of the No. 9 Signal, the Star Ferry Service suspended operation, the Hong Kong and Yaumati Ferry Service having ceased running since last night.

Buses on the island were taken off some of the routes, only Routes Nos. 5, 5A, and 2 being served, while all trams were recalled to depot.

On the mainland the buses are still running, but it was stated that they might cease at any moment.

Later,

A gust of 84 miles per hour was recorded at 8.30 a.m.

The Royal Observatory states that the typhoon is apparently still heading for Hong Kong but its exact proximity is not yet clear.

### ALEXANDRIA RAID

Two people were slightly injured and slight damage was caused to property in an air raid on Alexandria yesterday morning. Alarms were also sounded in some of the Delta provinces.—Reuter.

## Double Thrust Toward Kharkov

(By Reuter's Correspondent in Moscow)

**THE LOSS OF KREMENCHUG BY THE SOVIET TROOPS MEANS THAT THE GERMANS HAVE AT LEAST AT ONE POINT, MADE A CROSSING OF THE DNIIEPER.**

The Soviet Command will naturally look on the event as they have done in other cases, namely in terms of the great effort and expenditure of material which it has cost the enemy to gain this advance.

It is now three weeks since the Germans reached Dnieper and battle for each attempted crossing place has been a furious battle between artillery and dive-bombers on both sides.

German artillery and dive bombers have been striving to silence the Soviet guns and create a relatively safe area in which bridgeheads could be established and held.

Above Kremenchug, the banks of the Dnieper are fairly steep and very picturesque, while below the town the scenery becomes less interesting.

The town itself has no special architectural features. It is more important as an industrial centre, having a number of flour mills, tobacco factories and various other smaller industries, depending on the rich agricultural land which stretches away on all sides.

After so many days of battling for the town in which the Soviet troops had ample time to wreck any plant of value to the Germans, its loss can safely be considered as meaning no immediate gain to the enemy except from a strategic standpoint.

Kremenchug is a railway centre from which two lines run, the first to Poltava, 65 miles to the north-east, and to Kharkov, and the second to Bakhmach and Briansk.

Soviet troops are fighting a dogged action to prevent the Germans following up their seizure of Kremenchug by any further advance which would aim at a development of a pincer movement through Charnigov and Kremenchug and directed towards the valuable prize of Kharkov.—Reuter.

## Britain's Oldest Man Dies

Britain's oldest man, Mr. Alfred Charles Nunez Arnold, died yesterday, aged 112 years, at the Liverpool convalescent home at Woolton.

He was a keen student of yoga and attributed his long life and good health to the study of yoga and "moderation in all things."

Mr. Arnold who was left an orphan at an early age, was brought up by an uncle in London. He was first destined to be an operative singer, a contemporary of Jenny Lind.

He then took up journalism touring the world and working for many newspapers.

He was war correspondent in three wars, and found himself in many tight corners. He spoke German, Dutch, Spanish and Portuguese and was occasionally heard on the B.B.C.

He was presented with two cigars by King Edward VII when he was Prince of Wales, had coffee with Disraeli, and tea with Charles Dickens.

Mr. Arnold, until recently, was living in St. Pancras Hospital in London, but was evacuated to Liverpool during the Battle of London. He celebrated his 112th birthday two months ago.—Reuter.

## NEUTRALITY ACT REVISION DISCUSSED

MR. RAYBURN, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, STATED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY THAT REVISION OF THE NEUTRALITY ACT WAS DISCUSSED BY LEADERS IN THE LEGISLATURE AT A CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AT THE WHITE HOUSE YESTERDAY, BUT NO CONCLUSIONS WERE REACHED.

Senator Rayburn did not disclose details of the discussion but answering a question said: "There has been a lot of talk about it."

He declared that President Roosevelt would send a message to Congress on Thursday on the subject of new Lease and Lend appropriations which informed sources said would amount to about \$6,000,000,000.

The Neutrality Law among other things forbids the arming of mer-

## Air Raid Casualty Figures

One hundred and sixty-nine persons were killed or are missing and believed killed as a result of a German air raid on the United Kingdom during August.

This number includes 56 men, 72 women and 28 children under 15 years of age, and 13 not classified.

During the same period 136 persons were injured and detained in hospital. This figure includes 66 men, 51 women and 19 children under 16 years of age.

During August last year, 1,085 persons were killed and 1,265 seriously injured.—Reuter.

chantmen engaged in commerce with any foreign countries after the President has proclaimed that a state of war exists between these nations.—Reuter.

## CHINA CONFIDENT OF U.S.

"China is confident that the United States has no intention of making any arrangement at the expense of China, and that if any discussions are initiated affecting China and her rights, she will be fully consulted," said the Chinese Foreign Minister, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, yesterday, in commenting on the discussions between Washington and Tokyo.

Commenting on the report that the discussions were only exploratory, Mr. Quo Tai-chi said he thought it would be difficult to find a common basis of settlement.

Mr. Quo Tai-chi also referred to the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration and the principles of the Nine-Power Pact which China had accepted.

The American Ambassador, Mr. Clarence Gauss, called on Mr. Quo Tai-chi yesterday morning.—Reuter.

## SUMMER TIME IN EGYPT ENDED

Egyptian Summer Time ended last night. Clocks were put back an hour at midnight, says a Reuter message from Cairo.



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# Germans In Iran Displaying Refusal To Go Quietly

## Hint That Shah May Have To Go

**AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS** in London yesterday stated, according to Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent, that the Germans in Iran are displaying all the tactics typical of men under arrest who refused to go quietly.

They are impeding the Iranians by a display of futile silliness but the British and Soviet authorities have every intention of seeing the job is done speedily and thoroughly.

During the week-end, they insisted that the Iranians should get the Germans out of their Legation and anywhere else they happened to be lurking and that they should be concentrated in barracks at Teheran ready for dispatch to Ahwaz in the British zone or Kasvin in the Russian zone.

It is not known for certain in London how many Germans have packed themselves in the Legation but is evidently a matter of several hundreds.

Generally, the position is that while the Iranian Government is well-intentioned and shows every desire to collaborate, it is being impeded wherever possible by the Germans themselves and very probably by certain other Iranian elements with partiality for the Axis autocracy.

### The Shah

The Iranian Government, therefore, requires a good deal of stiffening from the British and Soviet quarters to strengthen their hands in clearing up the situation. The Allies have no intention of allowing matters to drag on indefinitely.

News and reports from Iran which speak of growing and widespread dissatisfaction among the Iranian people with the autocratic regime of the Shah are fully borne out by official information reaching London.

This public feeling doubtless serves to increase the difficulties of the Iranian Government. The Shah, moreover, allowed official expression to be given in an Iranian paper to sentiments of friendship with the Axis countries.

### All Necessary Measures

The paper in which he did so has since been suppressed by the Iranian Government and the article repudiated on the Teheran Wireless of which the Iranian Government has taken control.

Meanwhile, the British and Soviet Governments are determined that their requirements must be fulfilled and will take all necessary measures to strengthen the hand of the Iranian Government in securing their objectives. — Reuter.

### "WIFE MY WISEST COUNSELLOR"

In his will Sir William Henry Senger, the ship-owner, of Cardiff, referred to his wife as "my helpmate, best friend and wisest counsellor." He left £180,418, of which £153,702 was net personalty. Estate duty of £52,571 was paid.

In a bequest to his wife, Sir William stated: "I rejoice exceedingly that her love, for and confidence in me has not been unrewarded and that my determination to make good, accompanied as it was by much anxiety, has brought its own reward of duty done and I by courage and faith was enabled to win through against big odds."

## CZECHS BOYCOTT NEWSPAPERS

AS AN EXPRESSION OF THEIR INDIGNATION AT THE ATTITUDE OF THE GERMAN-CONTROLLED CZECH NEWSPAPERS IN THE GERMAN "CZECH PROTECTORATE," WHICH ARE INCREASINGLY CONTEMPTUOUS IN THEIR REFERENCES TO THE REAL CZECH LEADERS AND HAVE ADOPTED TOWARDS THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES, AN ATTITUDE EVER MORE VIOLENT THAN OF THE NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHED IN THE REICH ITSELF, THESE NEWSPAPERS ARE TO BE BOYCOTTED BY THE POPULATION, SAYS REUTERS DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

According to information reaching London, the Czechs for a whole week will refrain from buying, reading, borrowing or opening any Czech newspaper.

The boycott began yesterday, the fourth anniversary of the death of M. Thomas Masaryk the first President of Czechoslovakia.

What is very significant is the fact that the Slovak population has agreed to boycott its own German-controlled newspapers for the same period. — Reuter.

## WELFARE OF ARMY IN H.K.

A Command Welfare and Amenities Board has been formed with the object of obtaining and distributing to the Troops radio sets, gramophones, records, books, papers, pictures, playing cards and any other articles to improve the comfort of British, Indian and Chinese Troops in Barracks, forts, and Camps. The Board will administer funds granted from time to time by the Home and Indian Governments and will be most grateful for any gifts in kind such as old books and magazines, records, rattan chairs, etc., for which the owners have no further use. Such gifts will be gratefully received by the Garrison Adjutant who will arrange to collect them if so desired.

The Board is composed of the D.A.A.G., the Senior Chaplain and the Garrison Adjutant and will have the advice of Indian army officers when questions regarding the welfare of Indian troops arise. It is in no way intended to interfere with the activities of the philanthropic bodies in Hong Kong who do so much for the services. The object is rather to provide a central authority to secure equitable distribution of

## TO ADOPT PRISONERS OF WAR

An "adoption" scheme recently started in the United States is already providing numbers of British prisoners of war with extra parcels of food and tobacco. One American woman has adopted all Welsh Guards prisoners. They number about 200.

Each man receives a series of eight packages containing sardines, cheese, honey, chocolate, canned vegetables, milk, tobacco and cigarettes. These are now being packed and despatched from Lisbon. The donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, has family associations with the regiment.

About 250 other prisoners adopted by Americans are being sent regular parcels direct from the United States. Mrs. Alec Tuck, wife of the United States Consul at Buenos Aires, is sending parcels to 50 prisoners.

Another successful group adoption scheme has been organised by schoolfellows of Capt. Ian Campbell, heir presumptive to the Dukedom of Argyll, who is a prisoner in camp 7C, Bavaria.

### Prisoners Cheerful

Old boys of Milton School, Boston, Massachusetts, where Capt. Campbell was educated, are now looking after 100 of his fellow-prisoners in the Bavarian camp. Capt. Campbell writes to his wife in Lisbon that "parcels are now coming in from every corner of the United States, from Baltimore to Seattle."

Other letters from various camps show that the prisoners are cheerful and well provided with necessities.

The conditions of the so-called reprisal camp at Posan appear to have improved. The men write that they are now allowed out for a walk three times a week. They are receiving parcels, including some forwarded from the Bavarian camp where they were previously interned.

A party of 150 men have recently been removed from the reprisal camp to Stalag 20A, in the same district, which they report to be more comfortable.

## MYSORE POWER PROJECT

It is learned that the Government of Mysore State has sanctioned £2,100,000 for working the Jog Falls hydro-electric scheme for generating 32,000 h.p. preliminarily.

It is understood that the power thus generated will be utilised for accelerated war work. — Reuter.

The money grants referred to above and of the gifts in kind which are from time to time so generously made by local people.

The Board would like to take this opportunity of thanking those who have in the past made gifts in kind to the troops.

## ATTEMPTED RAIDS ON MOSCOW

German 'planes yesterday attempted to raid Moscow but were driven off before reaching the city.

This was announced by the Soviet Information Bureau yesterday. — Reuter.

## COAL STRIKE THREAT IN UNITED STATES

ABOUT 37,000 SOFT COAL MINERS EMPLOYED IN THE "CAPTIVE" MINES OF SEVEN S T E E L CORPORATIONS, OPERATING TO CAPACITY ON DEFENCE ORDERS WERE ORDERED TO GO ON STRIKE YESTERDAY IN PITTSBURG.

The corporations affected include the nation's three largest steel producers—the United States Steel Corporation, the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, and the Republic Steel Corporation.

The strike order has been issued in support of the demand for closed shop. — Reuter.

("Captive" mines are those whose coal is used entirely by the parent organisation).

## RULE HTS ARMY FAMILIES

A soldier's children suffer more than he does when he is punished by pay deductions.

Because of this an attempt is to be made in the House of Commons to have the system abolished.

Captain Gienvil Hall, M.P. for Colne Valley, Yorks, is to raise the question in the House.

He will tell of the case of Mrs. Rhodes, mother of nine children and wife of Private R. H. Rhodes, of the East Lancs Regiment, whose family allowance was reduced by 14s. a week after her husband had absented himself without leave. "I believe the regulation should be altered, if not eliminated," Captain Hall told the "Daily Mirror." "Punishment should fall on the man alone, and not on his wife and children."

## QUEEN MARY TIDIES A CAMP

"You take this," said Queen Mary handing some branches she had pulled out of the undergrowth to the small boys and girls surrounding her.

Hatless, the Queen suddenly walked into the rest camp for blitzed mothers and babies which the Lord Mayor of Bristol has opened in the West Country.

She told them she had come to clear away the undergrowth under the trees so that the mothers at the camp could sit in the shade.

One her previous visit she had noticed that there was no clear space where they could take their chairs and rugs.

She brought two soldiers with her with rakes to do the job and got the children to help.

## SERIOUS VIEW TAKEN OF THREAT TO KIEV

(Military Comment By "Annalist")

A SERIOUS VIEW IS TAKEN IN LONDON OF THE GERMAN THREAT TO KIEV.

It is obvious that the German High Command is making another attempt to use a pincer offensive which has not proved conspicuously successful so far.

In the territories where the fighting hitherto has taken place there are no towns of sufficient importance to call for their defence to the last and as a consequence the Soviet forces always evaded the arms of the pincers while inflicting the maximum loss on the enemy as they advanced.

This system of "elastic defence" has proved exceedingly successful and the only cases where the Soviet troops did not elude the German encirclement were at Tallinn and Odessa.

Both these places, however, could be reinforced and supplied from the sea and Tallinn was finally evacuated when resistance was no longer possible.

### Leningrad Position

Odessa is still holding out and seems confident of its ability to do so indefinitely.

The case of Leningrad is not entirely analogous, because, according to Russian claims, it is not

completely encircled, although seriously menaced.

BUT KIEV IS NOW DISTINCTLY THREATENED AND THE RUSSIANS APPARENTLY HAVE NO INTENTION OF EVACUATING THE PLACE BUT WILL RELY ON THEIR DEFENCES, ON THEIR INDOMITABLE SPIRIT AND ON THE RIGOURS OF THE WINTER TO KEEP THE GERMANS AT BAY.

### All-Weight

It is obvious that the Germans are throwing all their weight into the scale to try and effect a decisive success in the few days left before winter sets in.

Already the first snow has fallen at Murmansk and low temperatures further south point to a severe winter.

The advantages conferred by "General Frost" will all be on the side of the defenders who not only will be better sheltered but better equipped for the extreme variations in temperature. — Reuter.



# "TO CAPTURE OR TO DESTROY"

## American Orders To U.S. Navy

### Answer To Hitler

BEGINNING FROM TO-MORROW, THE UNITED STATES NAVY WILL PROTECT ALL LEASE AND LEND CARGOES TRAVERSING THE SEA "BETWEEN THE AMERICAN CONTINENT AND THE WATER ADJACENT TO ICELAND," SAID THE UNITED STATES NAVY SECRETARY, COLONEL FRANK KNOX, ADDRESSING THE AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION AT MILWAUKEE (WISCONSIN) YESTERDAY.

Colonel Knox described the Atlantic Fleet orders in unequivocal language — "to capture or destroy" every Axis surface or sub-surface raider that is encountered.

"This is our answer to every civilised nation in the world," Hitler's declaration that he will try to sink every ship encountered on the routes leading from the United States to British ports," Colonel Knox added.

Colonel Knox's announcement came near the end of his address, in which he declared that since the United States' occupation of Iceland on July 7, "Hitler and the Nazis have been palpably losing the Battle of the Atlantic" and were therefore forced to attempt to break down the bridge of ships carrying supplies to Britain.

"If Hitler and the Nazis did not take swiftly successful measures to break down that bridge," said Colonel Knox, "the defeat of England and the primary purpose of war, would have become impossible. If they did make such an all-out effort they would add the United States Navy to their numerous foes."

#### Grim Choice

"It was a grim choice but the Nazi action in the past few days has left little room for doubt as to what they will do. A German submarine accosted an American destroyer carrying mail to our outpost in Iceland. The encounter came in broad daylight and the American destroyer carried identification marks."

"At short range, the submarine discharged three torpedoes aimed at the American destroyer. The 'Greer' evaded them and promptly attacked the submarine with depth charges," Colonel Knox continued.

#### Too Broad

Pointing out that the Navy Department immediately published all information about this incident while the German Government countered by saying that the "Greer" fired the first shot, Colonel Knox said: "The whole issue is far too broad to make the question who fired the first shot of great importance," but, he added, he wanted to refer to it because "it offered a chance to that curious organisation, 'The American First Committee,' to tell the American public that in its judgment it was more likely that the German U-Boat Commander was telling the truth than the American naval officer who commanded the 'Greer'."

#### Important Fact

"This is an important fact for the American public to digest: that we have in our midst an organisation of American citizens who on the question of veracity had declared publicly that they preferred to accept the word of a piratical murderer of women and children, on the high seas engaged in the type of warfare denounced by

Colonel Knox avoided using the word "convoy" saying that beginning from to-morrow the American Navy "will provide protection as adequate as we can make it for ships of every flag carrying Lease and Lend aid supplies."—Reuter.

### WHITEHALL MAY LOSE ARCHIVES

Efforts are being made to encourage Government Departments to disgorge some of the masses of papers which have accumulated in the cupboards of Whitehall. The Paper Salvage department of the Ministry of Supply has its eye on this potential pulp.

It is reckoned that tons of the archives are of no value to anyone but the Paper Controller. Nevertheless, before they can be swept into his receptive hands a great deal of departmental red tape has to be cut.

First, the department concerned has to have extended to it the Rules for the Disposal of Valueless Documents. An Order in Council is necessary for this. A direction to this effect, for the Ministry of Aircraft Production, was announced yesterday.

#### According To Rule

Once a department is on official record as being subject to the rules, someone has to separate the obviously unimportant documents from those whose utility is doubtful. Then the doubtful papers have to be examined by the inspectorate officers appointed by the Master of the Rolls.

### DR. GRADY IN INDIA

Dr. Henry Grady, President Roosevelt's special economic investigator in the Far East, is expected to arrive in Simla to-day.

It is understood that one of the main objects of his visit will be to discuss with the Indian Government the possibility of increasing supplies of certain Indian minerals to China.

Dr. Grady has already visited Singapore, the Philippines and the Dutch East Indies to study possible co-ordination of production and supplies of raw materials by the democratic powers of the Far East.—Reuter.

### HARRIMAN ARRIVES IN LONDON

WHEN MR. AVERELL HARRIMAN, HEAD OF THE UNITED STATES MISSION TO MOSCOW, ARRIVED IN LONDON BY AIR LAST NIGHT, HE WAS GREETED AT THE AERODROME BY THE FOREIGN SECRETARY, MR. ANTHONY EDEN.

The Minister of Supply, Lord Beaverbrook, the Under-Secretary from Air, Captain S. F. Balfour, the American Ambassador, Mr. J. G. Winant, the Russian Ambassador, M. Maisky, and the Russian Ambassador to Washington, M. Oumansky, together with many other prominent persons, were also present.

Mr. Harriman was accompanied by three members of the United States Mission, Admiral W. H. Standley, Major-General James Burns, and Mr. William Batt, of the United States Office of Production Management.—Reuter.

### STRIKE TIES UP SHIPPING

NINE SHIPS ARE NOW TIED UP IN NEW YORK AS A RESULT OF A STRIKE CALLED BY THE SEAFARERS INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA, WHICH BEGAN ON SATURDAY.

In an interview on Monday, Mr. John Hawk, National Secretary of the Union, said that the strike would spread to many other ships now at sea when they reached port.

The strike been called to enforce the Union's demands for an "adequate war bonus" for its members.

The demands affect all ships bound for Axis or Allied ports, said Mr. Hawk in an interview on Saturday.—Reuter.

### AIRSHIPS TO GUARD BOSTON

Airships will guard Boston Harbour against submarines, Captain Charles Rosendahl, naval dirigible expert, disclosed yesterday in Boston (Massachusetts).

Six "blimps" will be stationed at the new dirigible base at south Weymouth to guard the approaches to the Harbour.

Interviewed, Captain Rosendahl said that 48 non-rigid blimps have been authorised and that money for 27 had been appropriated.—Reuter.

### INDIAN LABOUR RESOLUTION

The Executive Committee of the All-India Trades Union Council, claiming to represent over 150,000 workers, passed a resolution in Bombay yesterday welcoming the move of the British Trades Union Congress to set up a joint Anglo-Soviet Trades Union Council to intensify the anti-fascist struggle and safeguard the interests of the workers and condemning the attitude of the All-India Trades Union Congress in the matter.—Reuter.

### EVERY TANK FOR A WEEK TO GO TO RUSSIA

EVERY TANK AND tank part made in Britain in the next week is to be sent straight to the front lines defending Leningrad, Kiev and Odessa.

This token of Britain's all-out aid for the Soviet Union is announced by Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Supply, in a telegram to all tank factory workers.

His message runs: "The call is for the utmost. From now on tank factories in this country must supply not only the armies of Britain but the needs of Russia, whose soldiers to-day fight in the same shining cause."

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"Come then in the foundries and the forges of Britain, in the engine works and the assembly lines to the task and duty of helping Russia repel the savage invaders who bring torture to mankind."—Reuter.

### GOSSIP AFTER RAIDS

#### Bench Rebukes Barristers

Mr. E. G. Hemmerde, K.C., the Recorder, delivered a stern rebuke to gossipers, including members of the Bar, at Liverpool Quarter Sessions.

"The amount of foolish gossip I found on returning to Liverpool after the seven or eight days' blitz," he said, "has been so remarkable that I feel it my duty to draw attention to it."

"Several of us in Manchester were horrified at the description of what had been happening in Liverpool. One member of the Bar told me he himself had seen the town hall a mass of rubble. I found that to be completely false."

#### "Nothing But A Lie"

"Then when I returned to the Temple, in London, another member of the Bar told me that the town had been for some time under martial law and things were desperate. That was nothing but a lie."

"I have made my own inquiries, and have found the universal opinion that the people of this town, under the most terrible conditions, have behaved most admirably."

"I believe that to be beyond dispute, and I think it is intolerable that people, whom Mr. Asquith described as the 'old women of both sexes,' should go about chattering in this way."

### SAVED HIS FLOCK

#### Medal Awarded To Shepherd

A shepherd's devotion to his flock is recognised in the award, announced in the London Gazette, of the British Empire Medal to Fred Mitchell, North Somerset.

Incendiary bombs had dropped on the farm and the lambing pens caught fire. Mitchell, who was alone, did all he could to extinguish the outbreak, but it was too fierce for him.

Although fires were spreading rapidly and high explosives were still falling in the vicinity, he entered the pens, snatched up the lambs one by one and carried them through the flames into the open fields. The ewes followed them and all the animals were saved.

The George Medal is awarded to both Sister Elsie L. Stevens, assistant matron at Bristol Maternity Hospital, and her colleague, Sister Violet E. A. Frampton, who during a raid went through a very dangerous area to rescue seven people, including an expectant mother, who were trapped in a house.

For driving amid high explosives and incendiaries to evacuate homeless people, Mr. M. A. Armistage, Philip Davey, Miss B. Leverton, Miss R. G. Sandford, Joseph Slipman and G. F. W. Thidall, members of the London Auxiliary Ambulance Service, have been awarded the British Empire Medal.

The latest awards total nine George Medals; one O.B.E. and 30 Medals of the British Empire.

### HE SEWS FOR BUSY WIVES

Rumplestilzkin Up-to-Date is a middle-aged man. He goes round Leeds from door to door asking, if the housewife has anything which needs repairing. For a copper or two he will mend tears and rips, put in patches and even "run up" a simple frock or overall.

But, like the fairy tale Rumplestilzkin, he will not tell anyone who he is or where he lives. "He is a very quiet and kindly sort of man, well dressed and polite," a housewife told the reporter. "He did some really beautiful work for me."



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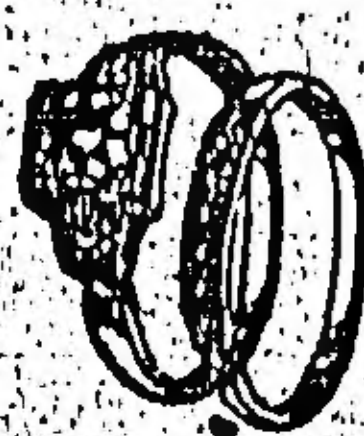
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BIG AIR BATTLE ON  
EGYPTIAN FRONTIER

A BIG AIR BATTLE on the Egyptian-Tripoli frontier is recorded in a communique from Royal Air Force Headquarters in Cairo yesterday.

The communique says "a strong force of South African bombers yesterday attacked and dispersed enemy motor transport and armoured fighting vehicles in the frontier area.

A large number of bombs fell among the vehicles. Many direct hits were observed and fires of considerable dimensions broke out. The last formation of our attacking aircraft, with its fighter escort, was engaged by German and Italian fighters.

"In the ensuing air combat one Messerschmitt 109 and one Italian Cant 50 were destroyed, and others badly damaged. One Italian aircraft of the "S 79" type was shot down in the frontier zone.

"During Saturday night R.A.F. bombers raided Tripoli, Benghazi and Barca. At Tripoli bombs were dropped on shipping in the harbour and on the Spanish Mole. Many bursts were observed on and near ships both in the harbour and alongside the quays.

## Blazing Furiously

"At Zuara, one large ship, believed to be part of the remnants of the convoy successfully attacked by the Fleet Air Arm and Royal Air Force in the Central Mediterranean, was seen blazing furiously, and the ship later exploded with great violence.

"At Benghazi, both the harbour and shipping were bombed, while at Barca oil storage tanks and buildings were destroyed.

"The aerodrome at Gerbini was bombed by the Fleet Air Arm during Saturday night. In addition to those already mentioned one other British aircraft is missing.

"The crew of one British aircraft, reported lost in the Mediterranean on September 12, have now been brought to safety." — Reuter.

## Later Statement

An additional communique issued from R.A.F. Headquarters last night in Cairo says:—

"Further details of yesterday's (Sunday) air operations over the frontier zone of the Western Desert show that in addition to the destruction of enemy aircraft mentioned in this afternoon's communique, two German aircraft of the Junkers 87 type were destroyed by anti-aircraft fire and another was compelled to make a forced landing, the crew being captured.

"The attack by our fighters on the Gambut landing ground was very successful, a number of enemy aircraft being severely damaged.

"Last night the attack on this landing ground was resumed by the Fleet Air Arm. Their bombing resulted in eight enemy aircraft being left in flames and some half dozen others damaged." — Reuter.

THINK OF 1944,  
FARMERS ARE TOLD

Farmers have been asked by the Minister of Agriculture to think not only of the harvests of 1942 and 1943, but also of 1944.

If this year's excellent harvest prospects proved well founded and the harvest was gathered in good condition, British farmers would have produced more human food this year than they had ever done in pre-war days.

In the last two years four million acres were ploughed and the Ministry were asking for another two million acres this year.

"In view of the shipping position, I do not think these six million acres are sufficient and we must continue with the good work," he continued.

TEN DAYS  
IN OPEN  
BOAT

Twelve survivors of a British ship which was torpedoed in the Atlantic recently have been landed at an east Canadian port. They had spent 10 days in a lifeboat before being picked up.

All of them showed marks of their ordeal. Only three were able to walk. The others had swollen feet and salt-water sores.

Despite this, all were cheerful, and one young engineer declared: "This has not got me down. It's a grand life at sea, and I'm going back."

Some of the survivors told how, while they were in their tiny lifeboat, they dreamed about the food and beer which had been in the torpedoed ship. Others spoke of trying to catch seagulls when their food began to run out.

## Stuck To His Post

All paid tribute to the chief wireless officer of the ship, who stuck to his post, sending off calls for help until the vessel went down.

His chief assistant said: "There was plenty of time for him to leave, so he must have stayed by choice."

Originally there were 15 men in the boat. An Arab seaman died on the second day, however, and on the next day another Arab and the cook died.

Describing his life in the tossing lifeboat the third engineer said: "We allowed ourselves one-quarter of a cup of water daily. We had lots of biscuits, but towards the end were too dry to eat them."

"Waves swept over us, filling the boat with water and covering us with salt. I think another day or two would have finished us."

"We were pretty weak when we were picked up, but not too weak to cheer when the rescue ship came in sight."

There is so far, no news of another lifeboat in which there were 25 men.

LOST  
HOURS  
IN AIR  
FACTORIES

Sunday work should be discontinued in the aircraft industry except for maintenance and repair of plant and other essential purposes, states the Select Committee on National Expenditure in a report on air factories.

This recommendation follows a statement that high wages and Sunday labour are two of the main causes of absenteeism which seems to be causing the loss of thousands of man-hours every week. Representatives of aircraft firms had said that absenteeism was their most serious problem.

There will always be a minority of deliberate absentees whether there is Sunday work or not, the report says, particularly as wages beyond a certain point go in an ever greater proportion for income-tax.

## £7 A Week Average

The average earnings in aircraft firms had not been found to be as extravagant as had been supposed. In one firm of aero engine manufacturers there might be 20 men who earned between £12 and £13 in any given week, and perhaps 100 men receiving between £11 and £12.

But the average wage for the highest-grade worker in the same firm did not appear to exceed £7 per week, and many thousands of workpeople were employed in its factories.

The Sub-Committee had evidence of firms in the aircraft industry deliberately paying their operatives more than the agreed district rates, and by so doing disturbing other firms in that district.

The Select Committee recommends that the Ministry of Aircraft Production should do everything in its power to ensure that factories working either commercially or on a management basis observe district federation wage rates and keep their bonus percentages in line with those of their neighbours.

Evidence tended to show that some firms are short of labour. One firm stated that it required a thousand men and a thousand women in the next few months, but saw little prospect of obtaining them.

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## MUTT AND JEFF

By BUD FISHER



## SERVICE CENSORS ARE TO STAY IN CONTROL

THE PUBLIC IS TO RECEIVE no more news of the war than it gets now. And the Service Ministers will continue to decide what shall be printed.

This was revealed by the Lord President of the Council in the House of Commons.

News and official communiques, he said, would continue to be "canalised" through the Ministry of Information; but the Minister of Information will continue to be subservient to the Service Ministers, and he will remain outside the War Cabinet.

The Lord President admitted that "the essence of handling news was to decide quickly." He added:

"By the time the question whether a particular news item could be passed had gone through the usual channels the news might be stale.

## "It There's A Hitch —"

"Again there was nothing in the training of the average Service officer to make him particularly news-minded. His natural and proper tendency in doubt was to advise against publication."

However, special arrangements were being made to ensure quick decisions.

"The War Cabinet," added the

Minister, "will watch the results closely, and will be ready to review the system in case there should be a hitch or any ground of objection."

There were ironic cheers when the Minister said: "No doubt the Nazi propaganda machine is most formidable."

## "End It, Or Mend It"

By comparison, he added, our efforts may be puny, but "we have those powerful allies, truth and fair dealing."

Mr. Robert Bernays said: "We have heard of a great battle going on in Bloomsbury. Apparently all that has happened is that the Minister of Information has lost the battle."

"I cannot see why a staff of 1,400 men and women is required for what does not amount to more than a glorified stationery office."

"I say of the Ministry of Information—end it or mend it. Give it authority; give it influence; give it prestige."

## ROYAL MEDAL FOR WAR PRISONER

The award to Capt. P. A. Clayton, now a prisoner of war, of one of the Royal medals given annually by the King, as patron of the Royal Geographical Society, was announced at the annual meeting of the society by Field-Marshal Sir Philip Chetwode.

The society recommended that Capt. Clayton should receive the founder's medal for his surveys in the Libyan Desert and for his application of this experience to desert warfare during recent operations. He covered 11,000 miles in Southern Libya last winter, said Sir Philip, and for his exploits was awarded the D.S.O. A little later he was wounded.

It was also announced that the patron's medal had been awarded to Dr. Isaiah Bowman, President of Johns Hopkins University, United States, for his travels in South America and his services to geography while Director of the American Geographical Society, New York.

Sir George Clerk, the society's foreign secretary, was elected president in succession to Sir Philip Chetwode, who has served the customary three years.

## HERO BEAT GAS, FIRE

A 6ft. 1½in. A.R.P. worker is one of the heroes of the blitz whose gallantry has been rewarded with the George Medal.

Tallest man in Hackney's A.R.P. service, Albert James Sambridge, 41, a rescue worker, of Upton Road, struggled in the dark, braving flood and gas fumes to rescue a 16st. woman trapped by debris in a basement.

After rescue squads and police had given up hope of getting out more people from the basement, bombed in a London blitz, Sambridge (Mike to his mates) made the attempt. Mike dived under water to release the woman's legs, and carried her, groping through the darkness for a ledge.

## "Tied Her To Rope"

Finding the hole his mates had bored in the ceiling, Mike tied the woman to a rope and guided her through. It took three rescue squads to pull the rope up. He had to swim until rescued.

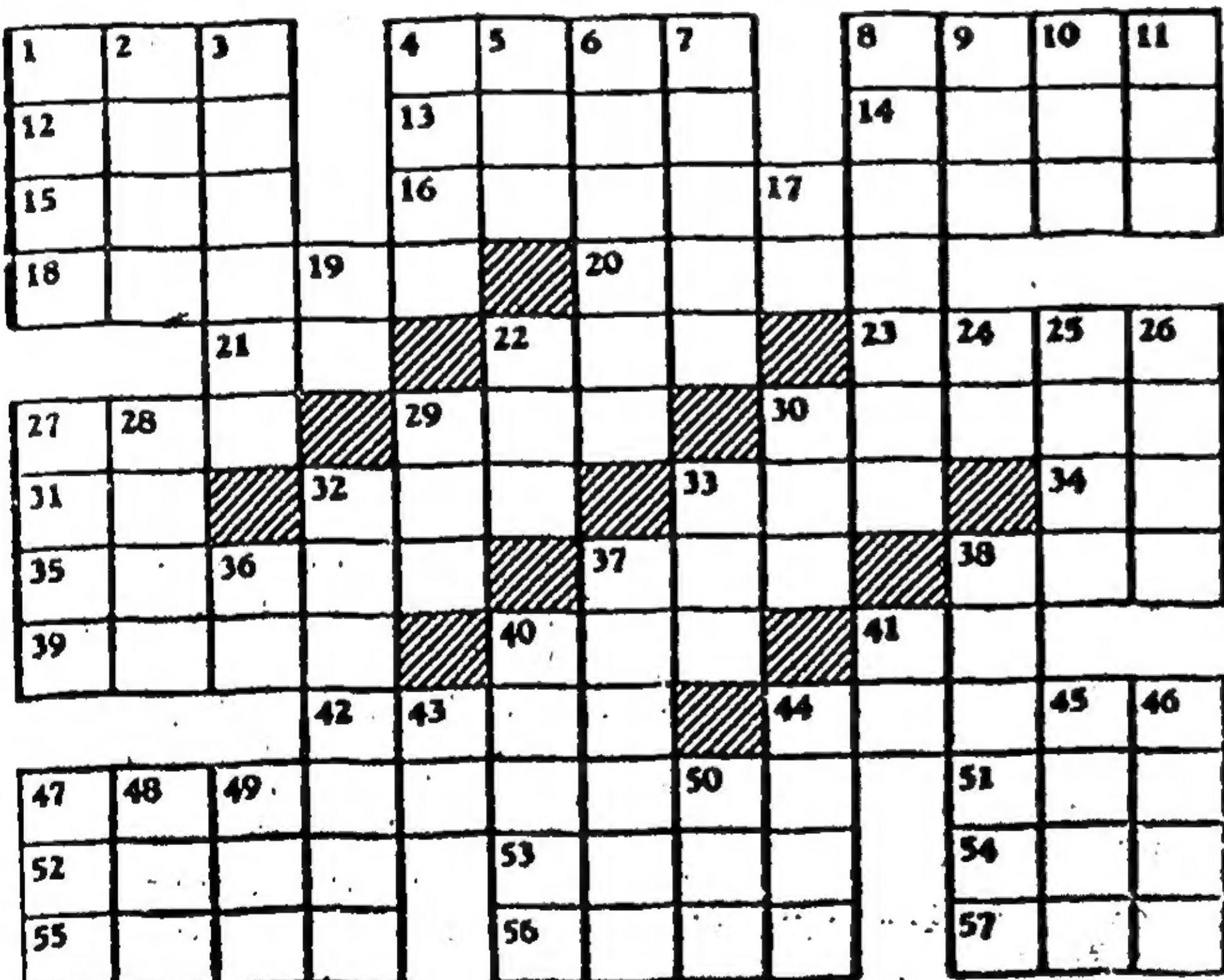
Mike is one of twelve G.M. announced. Also awarded are one M.B.E., twenty-two British Empire Medals and fifty-one Commendations.

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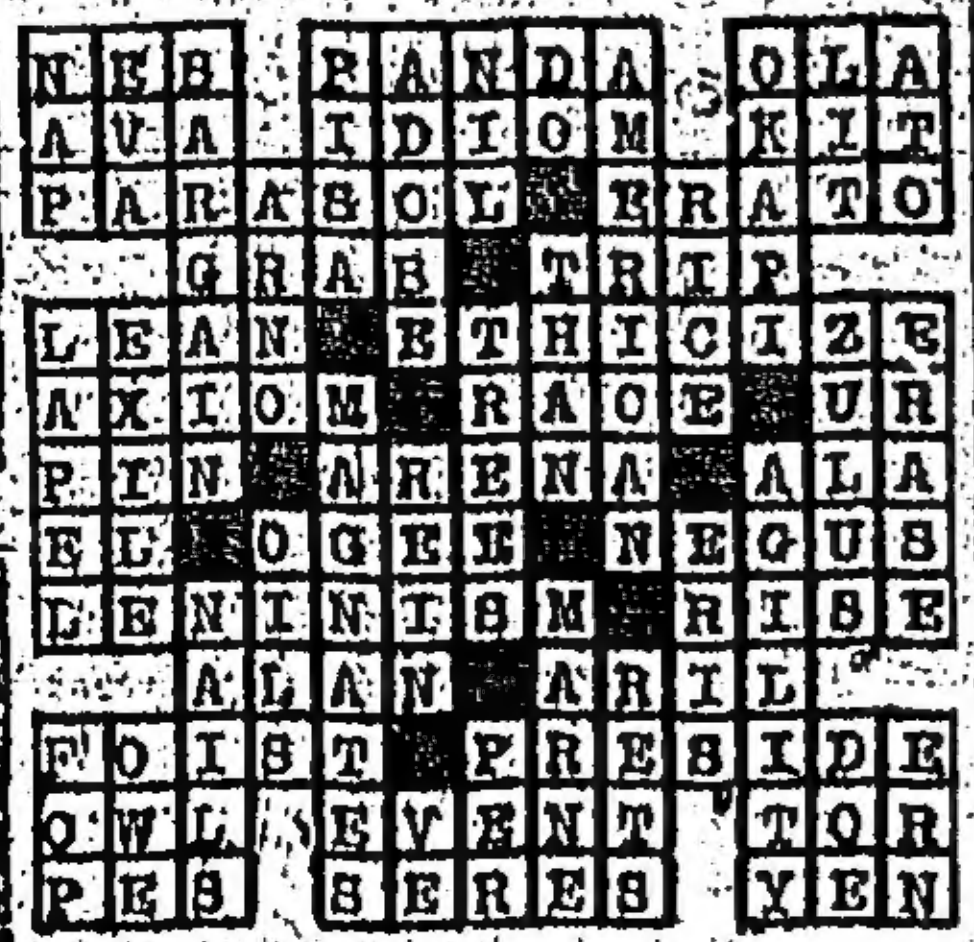
## HORIZONTAL

- 1 Lair
- 4 Son of Adam
- 8 Egyptian title
- 12 Skillful aviator
- 13 Rational
- 14 To disclose
- 15 War god
- 16 Means of protection
- 18 Willow
- 20 Crude metals
- 21 Behold!
- 22 Insect
- 23 Arrow poison
- 27 To reimburse
- 29 Down-hearted
- 30 To "oust"
- 31 Part of "to be"
- 32 To put on
- 33 Stand still
- 35 Courteous
- 37 To sink
- 38 Offspring
- 39 Greek deity
- 40 Music; three
- 41 River in Italy
- 42 Algonquin Indian
- 44 Flat-bottomed boat

## VERTICAL

- 1 Raised platform
- 2 Unbleached
- 3 Almost
- 4 South-African fox
- 5 Cry of sheep
- 6 To embrace
- 7 Slang; wary
- 8 Vituperative
- 9 Chinese pagoda
- 10 To be mistaken
- 11 Nourished
- 17 Earth goddess
- 19 To leave
- 22 To cool
- 24 Symbol for nickel
- 25 Reverberation
- 26 English boys' school
- 27 Central American rodent
- 28 Moslem prince
- 29 The sun
- 30 To urge
- 32 To argue
- 33 Swiss river
- 36 Brother of Odin
- 37 To soak in a liquid
- 38 Plant having sour juice
- 40 Trice
- 41 Colloquial father
- 43 Concerning
- 44 Raised
- 45 To penetrate
- 46 Pitcher
- 47 To sigh convulsively
- 48 Final
- 49 In so far as it is
- 50 Poetic nightfall

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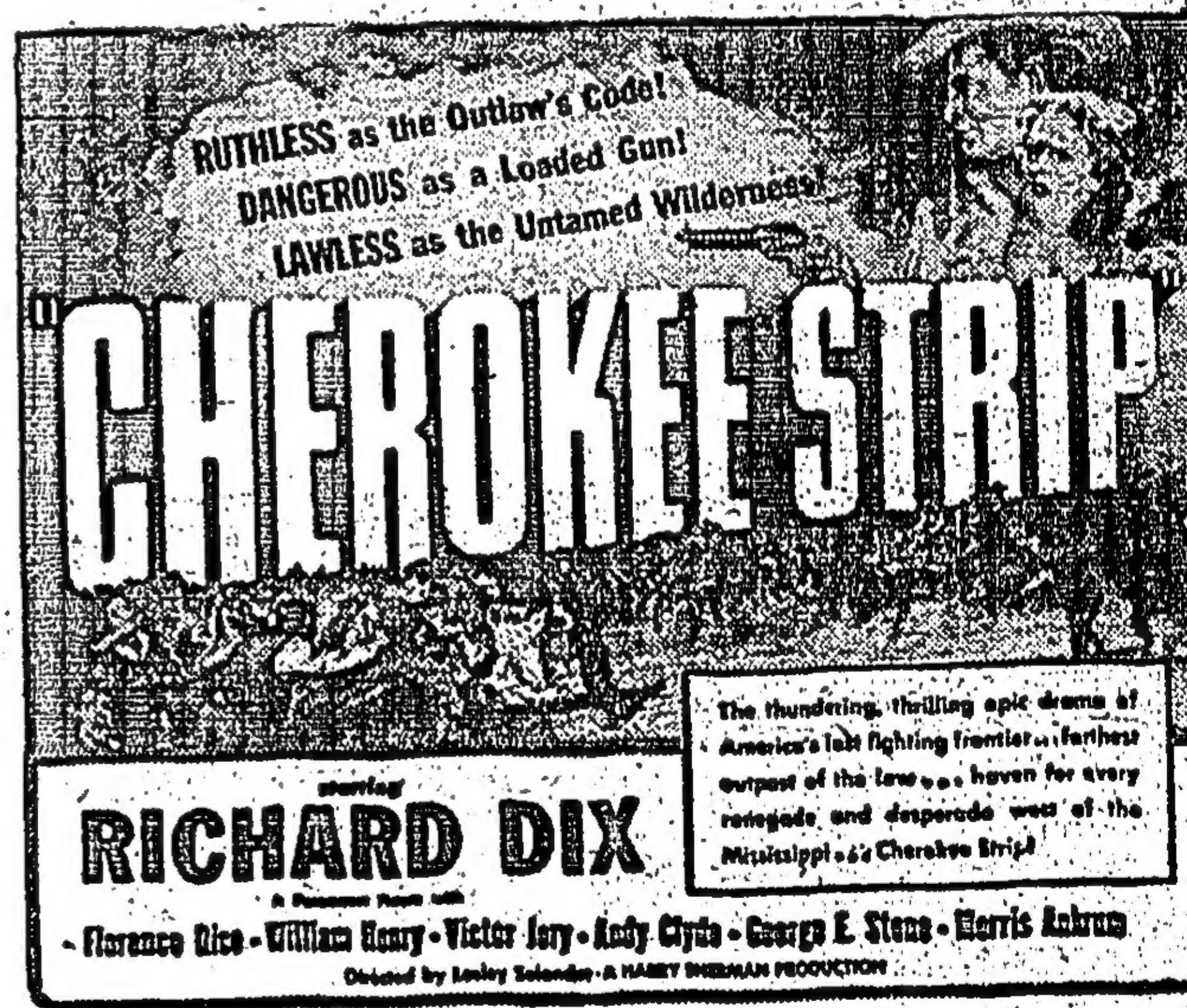


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# NOTED JAPANESE COMMENTATOR URGES U.S. ENTENTE

TEIHOCHI MUTO, noted Japanese political commentator, is now waging a campaign in the "Hochi-Shimbun" in favour of a Japanese-American understanding and is urging moderation in Japanese opinion.

This campaign came as a complete surprise since the "Hochi-Shimbun," recently purchased by the "Yomiuri," had until now been the champion of a nationalist and pro-German policy, and that Mr. Muto himself, who has kept silent for the past year, had been considered one of the strongest supporters of Japanese opposition to the Anglo-Saxon powers.

## HAPPIER LOT OF BRITONS

("Daily Telegraph")

Special Correspondent)

I have received a first-hand account of the conditions under which British civilian internees are now living in occupied France after, in many cases, more than 12 months' confinement.

There are about 5,000 of these prisoners distributed in three camps. At Vittel are 2,000 women and elderly men recently moved from Besancon. The camps at St. Denis and Drancy, near Paris, each hold about 1,500 male internees.

Internees at Vittel live in the once luxurious apartments of four adjacent hotels, which are surrounded by a barbed-wire fence and have been turned into a camp.

### Professional Men

At the barracks at St. Denis, the oldest of the three camps, are confined men first rounded up when the Germans entered Paris. They include a number of British doctors, dentists and other professional men.

They have been allowed to take their equipment and practise in the barracks for the benefit of fellow-internees.

Blocks of new workers' flats not completed at the time of the German invasion house the internees at Drancy.

Prisoners in all the camps are now regularly receiving Red Cross food parcels.

"These parcels are absolutely invaluable," I was told by an American social worker who has inspected the camps. "I cannot say enough in praise of what the British Red Cross is doing, and especially for the admirable selection of food sent."

## HE LANDED SAFE

A fighter Command aerodrome was "cleared" when a damaged Spitfire, returning from an offensive sweep over Northern France, was seen to be making a crash landing.

As the fighter circled the aerodrome it was identified as that of the Group Captain commanding the station, who had been leading one of his squadrons into action.

Unable to lower his undercarriage because of damage, he landed the machine on the metal underside of his fuselage and skidded to a standstill in a flurry of dust.

The station fire engine and ambulance, which had been waiting with engines running, rushed to the scene, but the group captain laughingly declined the proffered aid of the medical officer with "I think I can make it" and climbed out of the cockpit unaided.

He had been slightly wounded in his left thigh and wrist, but had destroyed two enemy

In an article entitled "It Will Take a Hundred Years to Build Up East Asia," Mr. Muto lengthily explained that a country, in the course of its expansion, must be able to halt in order to take a breath at the right time and must understand that intermittent truces in its advance constitute the best means of resuming its march forward later.

### Open Letter To Chiang

"After the Sino-Japanese war last century Japan demanded the cession of Kwangtung but met with opposition from a Franco-Russian German coalition," Mr. Muto recalled. "If we had decided to go to war against these three powers to obtain what we wanted what would have happened? Exhausted by the war, we would have been defeated."

A country must know how to yield once provided that at the same time it redoubles its courage and prepares for the fulfilment of great tasks later. It was thus that after having shown patience we were able to create Manchoukuo.

It was thus for Manchoukuo, which is rather small, to think that the construction of a new Asia can be accomplished in one stroke is childish. I assert with conviction that if we exert our best efforts and work as best we can it will take us at least a hundred years to complete this grandiose task."

In another article, Mr. Muto addressed an open letter to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in which he informed the latter that it was "not too late for you to reconsider your attitude." He went on at length to explain that Japan was really Asia's bulwark against western imperialism. He said that a direct agreement between General Chiang and Premier Prince Ayanaro Konohe would, in his opinion, be the best way to solve the China affair, and would prove of equal benefit to both countries.

### N.E.I. Question

In yet another article, Mr. Muto described his visit to Hokkaido and expressed great surprise at discovering that the island in question had only a population of some 3,500,000 or less than that of Tokyo itself.

"For all our talk of the Netherlands East Indies, we cannot hope to establish there in the next century more than some 200,000 Japanese, and on condition, of course, that we advance in that area," he said.

Mr. Muto thus hinted that Japan must realise that she can engage in expansion without going out of the Japanese Isles and that she has in the Empire itself an outlet for her surplus population.

aircraft before he was hit and his Spitfire damaged. One of his opponents he had shot down in flames.

### Squadron Score Seven

He then turned on a second ME-109, and had just shot off some of its wing, when a cannon shell fired from a third ME-109 on his tail, entered his cockpit after smashing through the alleron and his under-carriage gear.

With cannon shell splinters in his wrist and thigh, and all his instruments wrecked, he turned for home, and, making full use of blood cover, brought his damaged aircraft back to land on his own aerodrome.

## PUSH A NEEDLE INTO HIS OWN HEART

A "star" prisoner, noted for his cheerfulness, was the description applied at a Wandsworth gaol inquest to William Johnson (alias Wayne), 24, who hanged himself in his cell with a strip torn from his bed sheet.

He had pushed a mail bag needle into his heart, but he died by hanging.

Johnson was serving four months' hard labour for larceny. He was due for discharge on August 24.

## BRITISH BANK OPENS IN ADDIS ABABA

Over an imposing doorway in one of the main streets of Addis Ababa there appeared for the first time on July 2 the familiar name of Barclays Bank, which has opened a branch there, states the "Daily Telegraph."

Londoners will probably be sent to the bank from headquarters as business develops, but for the time being the staff, like that of the branch recently opened in Asmara, in Eritrea, has been recruited mainly from the Alexandria office of Barclays' affiliated concern, the Dominion, Colonial and Overseas Bank.

None of the other members of the "Big Five" has such a step in contemplation. It is realised, however, that, with the formerly strongly entrenched Banco di Roma and the Banca d'Italia virtually out of business there, immense banking possibilities have opened up in Italy's lost East African Empire.

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## JAPAN'S INTEREST IN SIBERIA

Anonymous "authoritative circles" in London continue to be interested in Japanese troops movements in Korea and Manchuria. The suspicion is again expressed that Hitler wants Japan to make trouble for Stalin in eastern Siberia, presumably to prevent the shifting of any great part of the Far Eastern Red Army to the western battlefield.

It must be admitted that this is a likelier possibility now than it was a few weeks ago. When Hitler launched his attack on the Soviet Union he was much too confident of a swift and overwhelming victory to care how the Red forces in remotest Siberia were kept busy.

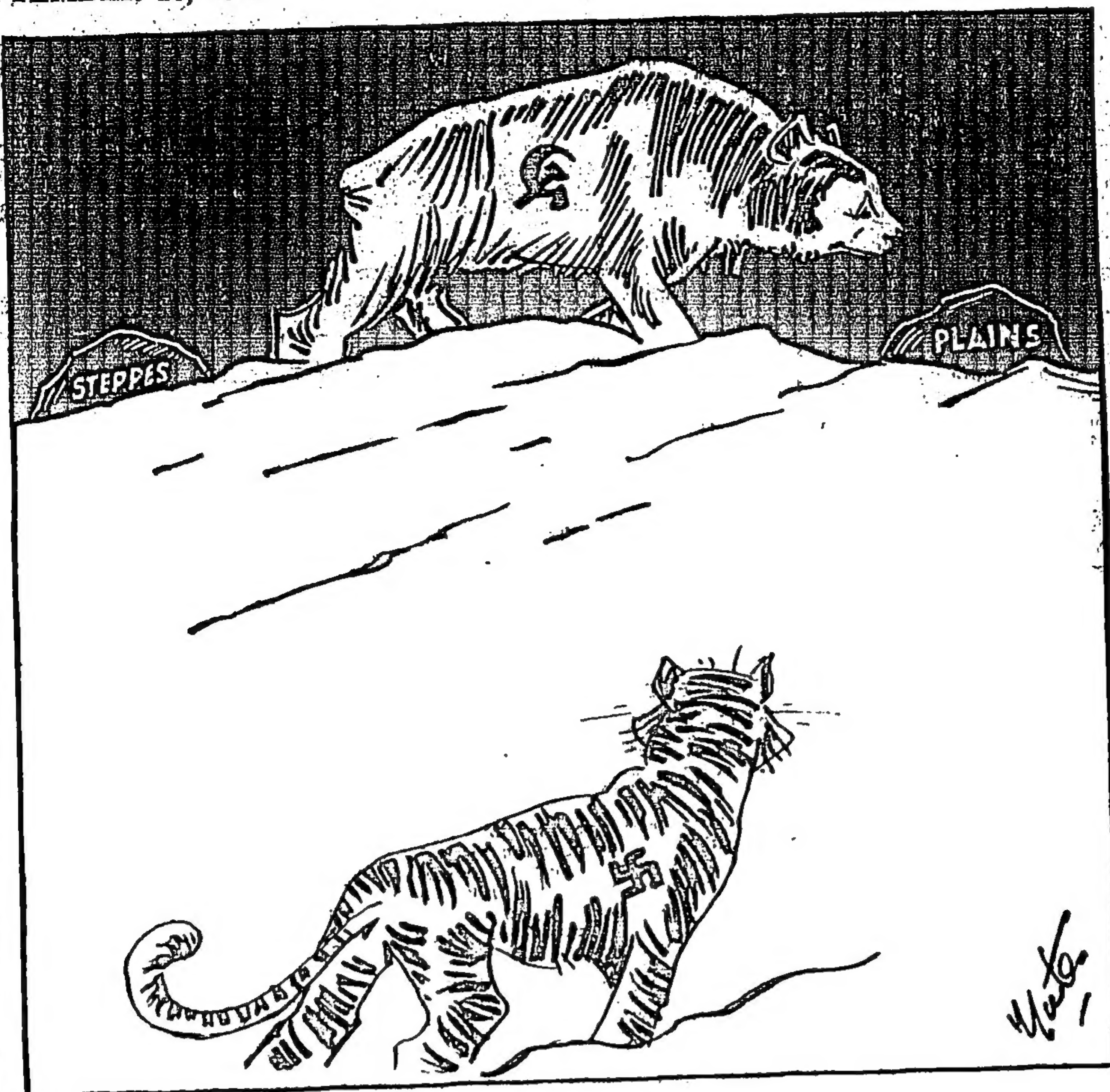
Now some units of Russia's Far Eastern force are already on their way to Europe, and the German drive into Russia is far behind schedule; so it is possible that Hitler might welcome Japanese manoeuvring in Manchuria that would prevent a wholesale Russian withdrawal westward. We still doubt, however, that Hitler would care to see Japan so deeply and perhaps ineffectually involved with an alliance of Chinese, Mongols and Russians that all ventures elsewhere would have to be abandoned and most of the United States fleet could be moved into the Atlantic.

When one is trying to figure out what Japan is up to, moreover, the most exact knowledge of what Hitler wanted of Japan would be no sure clue to Japan's course. Collaboration with the Axis partners is still a motivating force in Tokyo, but there is every reason to believe that Matsuoaka was unseated to make sure that Japan's obligations to the Axis were consistently rated second to her duty to herself. When Hitler wants her to stick her head in a steel trap, if she sees a way of filching the bait she is not going to spring the trap with her nose to please Hitler, whether in the Dutch Indies or in Red Siberia.

One very logical reason for the reinforcement of all Japanese garrisons in northern Korea and Manchuria must be the clear memory of the turmoil in Asiatic Russia and adjacent Mongolia that followed upon the collapse of the Czarist regime. All senior Japanese officers will also remember how the confusion of that era enabled Japan to set up a puppet Russian government in Vladivostok and to control the maritime province. It is well to be on hand if such opportunities arise again.

Japan cannot be confident, however, that an attack launched on the Far Eastern Red Army now would result in easy victory, after her experience at Changkufeng three years ago. The enemy would not carefully localize the fighting as Moscow did in 1938. The Mongols, whose striking power she sampled in 1939, would certainly strike with great weight on her flank. The Chinese would rise behind her. The Koreans and Manchurians would delight in wrecking her communications. If she hopes for a chance to meddle in Siberian affairs she must hope for heavy Red withdrawals from east to west, so it is not even to her interests now to display a hostility that would hold substantial Red forces in the Far East.

The only consideration that might make Japan desperately anxious to get Vladivostok and therefore ready to take foolish chances would be the fear that American shipments to that port would lead to American participation in its defence and give American bombers a base from which Japan's fisheries could be denied her and her combustible cities destroyed. This is not an imminent risk, however, so we still doubt that any rash Japanese adventure in the north is imminent.



OUT OF HIS ELEMENT

## Truth About Russia

EVERYBODY is asking whether Russia can hold out against the German attack. Nobody can answer this question with any confidence. To do so demands an expert knowledge of the Russian military machine which no outsider possesses.

The best one can do is to estimate the potential resources of the country for waging war. My informant, a distinguished diplomat who has recently returned from Moscow, had unrivalled opportunities of studying Russia from within.

The Russian people are faced to-day with the necessity of fighting for their independence, for the land they have striven so hard to cultivate and for their very lives. They are certainly fully determined to do so. Germany once ruled Russia for 150 years with all the brutality for which the Prussians are notorious. Since then Germany has always been regarded in Russia as the arch-enemy. The Russians hate the German desire for world domination, they hate the German character, German methods and, equally, German political leadership.

Propaganda in Russia against the Germans was not officially suppressed even after the Pact of August, 1939, until the beginning of 1940. The Russian Government then abstained from abusing the Nazis but made no effort to introduce active propaganda in Germany's favour.

However, propaganda against Germany had never been needed to turn the Russian mind against Germany; this was already achieved. Russia's people to-day are for the most part highly patriotic and united and they have full confidence in the Red Army. During and after the purge and executions of 1937 it was obvious to everyone living in Russia that a serious situation had arisen, but, looking back to-day, one must admit the efficiency of the OGPU. Russia's secret police were the first to discover the potential menace of a Fifth Column and the danger presented by a growing Quisling party which was keeping in close touch with Germany. In 1937 the Nazi leaders were hoping very definitely for revolution in Russia and the overthrow of Stalin, who would have been replaced by a regime with pro-German sympathies.

In the event the Fifth Column was effectively wiped out. The executions made a great impression on the Russian people, but a nation which has to work hard for its daily bread forgets quickly; minds soon become absorbed again by the problems of everyday life. So the episode was surprisingly quickly over and forgotten. To-day there seems to be no danger

of a Fifth Column in Russia, especially in high political circles. There may be German agents about, but they are not a present danger.

Russia has about 8,000,000 men mobilised and has now called to the Colours the age groups between 24 and 36 years, representing about another 10,000,000 men. The age limit of 36 covers more or less all those who have received a thorough Communist education, and the groups can be regarded, therefore, as fully reliable from a national point of view.

By

O.H. Brandon

Some over this age, especially those a good deal older, have not been able to adapt themselves so easily to the new regime, but in Russia the attitude of youth is decisive.

Timoshenko is the imaginative type of strategist; how well qualified as a great commander in the field will be shown in the very near future. He is a man of action and a realist, and he has capable staff officers around him. Opinion is divided on the efficiency of the rest of the officer corps, but the last war showed that the Russians are capable of producing leaders on the field. Although there is no class difference in the Russian army between officers and men, discipline is now strict and well maintained. Weaknesses revealed by the campaign in Finland have been in some measure removed.

Russia is estimated to have the same number of shock-troops as the Germans, and her parachute troops are highly trained and numerous.

Ever since the early days of the first Five Year Plan Russia's civilians have been prepared for war. About 20,000,000 people, known as the Osoviachin, have passed a preliminary military training. This vast army behind the lines can be compared to the Home Guard in England.

The army has been busily building defence lines in depth along the original, pre-war frontiers, but details have always been kept secret. It is certain, however, that no one in Russia has the "Maginot Line mentality." One great advantage Russia is believed to possess is the mobility of its army. It is highly motorised and to that extent prepared to move over vast distances of Russian territory. In case Germany manages to

occupy the rich Ukraine, its loss would not spell the end of the war for Russia. The same applies to the industrial areas of Leningrad or Moscow. There are other important centres stretching eastwards behind the Urals.

### Preparedness

Unlike Germany, Russia is self-sufficient in most of the vital raw materials—notably in oil, which comes from the Baku fields, the Grozny oil centre in the northern Caucasus and the newly-built refineries on the southern slopes of the Urals. Her armament industries have been steadily developed over recent years.

Kaganovits, the Commissar for heavy industry, used to say that the Russian would rather be prepared for war at the cost of going barefoot than make the mistake of the democracies in not preparing.

The Russians have always been receptive of foreign methods, and their own research laboratories are known to be very elaborate. While German engineers were among the first to get Russian industry going it cannot be said that it is dependent on German assistance now. Recently the remaining foreign experts in the country have been chiefly Americans.

Of Russia's great army of skilled workers, the majority to-day are women. Russia's people have always been modest in their requirements, and war-time restriction on consumption will not make serious new difficulties for them. Food reserves have been stored for the last three years and, though some part of the harvests have been delivered to Germany, reserves should prove to be substantial. What was supplied to Germany has been restricted with a prudent eye on the country's own needs.

In the last few years food supplies have been specially developed.

### Promise Of Aid

Assurances from Britain and the United States of active help must have morally strengthened the country. The Russians themselves feel no hostility towards the British people and collaboration at this juncture will be welcomed. In what way can Britain help most effectively at the moment?

By continued pounding of Germany from the air, by vigorous offensive action in Libya and Syria and encouragement to Finland to refrain from active participation in the war.

If Russia can hold up the initial German onslaught and remain standing after the first tidal wave has broken over her, it may be that once again the invader will find himself engulfed.

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# STRONG NEW DEFENCES OF NORTHERN MALAYA

(By A Straits Times Representative)

TO-DAY THE DEFENCES of the Malay Peninsula are as formidable as those of the island fortress of Singapore — that is one of the main impressions that I bring back from a tour of Malaya, from Singapore to the Thai frontier.

As a result of reinforcement of the Peninsula garrison during recent months and the rapid expansion of defence works, including new aerodromes, camps and depots of every kind, an attack on Singapore via the mainland would prove as costly and perilous an enterprise as a direct assault from the sea.

Conditions on the Malaya-Thailand frontier, about which the Japanese radio and newspapers have circulated fantastically untruthful stories, are as normal and peaceful as they have ever been.

British and American journalists who visited Kroh, on the Perak-Thailand border and Bukit Kayu Hitam, on the Kedah-Thailand border, found no evidence of the tension and massed troop concentrations about which Japanese propaganda talks daily.

### Striking Contrast

In fact, journalists who have visited some 50 countries during the past two or three years and have crossed frontiers in almost every continent found the Malaya-Thailand frontier posts among the least pretentious they have ever visited and a striking contrast with the barriers and grim, armed sentries a few feet apart, who glared at each other across so many of the old European frontiers.

Conditions on the Malaya-Thailand frontier are, in fact, a reflection of the close and friendly relations that have existed for so many years between Britain and Thailand. During the past week, I have visited areas in which many thousands of British and Indian troops are stationed—training for fighting in the jungle and the paddy-field areas of north Malaya.

### New Aerodromes

Great camps have sprung up under cover of the rubber trees and bomber and fighter aircraft of the Royal Air Force are to-day using aerodromes which only a few months ago were, in some cases, under dense vegetation.

To-day the roar of aircraft and the sight of troops and military transport are almost as familiar to the Malay rayat tending his bendang and the Tamil estate labourer as they are to those who live in Singapore.

During this tour of the defences of the mainland, I have talked with stalwart fighting men of the Indian Army from the barren, rugged hills of the North-West Frontier; British regulars, bronzed and fit and with several years of eastern service; airmen who have come to Malaya from an active role in the Battle of Britain.

When these men arrived in this country, there was general disappointment that they had not been called upon to serve in a more active theatre of war, but there is now a ready appreciation of the importance of the task allotted to them in the defence of one of the key areas of the Pacific.

### Adaptable

During the months that they have been here, British and Indian troops serving in the north have become highly proficient in one of the most exacting forms of warfare—jungle fighting, which calls for a high standard of physical fitness and endurance and leadership and fieldcraft of the first order.

For the men of northern India, many of whom have spent years under active service conditions on the Frontier, Malaya has presented great contrasts of climate and terrain, but the ex-pat has proved wonderfully adaptable.

To-day troops are not stationed only in the main centres of the west coast. They are to be found in many areas far removed from the carefully controlled sanitary and anti-malarial systems which

## SERBS' SPIRIT UNBROKEN

Despite their military defeat, the Serbs' spirit of resistance is unquenched. Sabotage, though on a small scale and apparently unorganised, is constantly occurring, and guerilla bands are still active in the mountains.

The Germans realise that they will have a hard task to hold down the Serbs, and they have taken the precaution of sending all Serbian war-prisoners out of the country, either to Germany or Poland. In Belgrade and other towns people are not allowed out of doors after 7 p.m.

Although some Nazi key men still remain in Croatia, the Germans apparently have decided to hand over the country entirely to the Italians. Croats show no enthusiasm for obtaining the long-desired separation from Serbia.

### A Forecast

In the opinion of an American who knows the country well, even the puppet Government would not have tolerated the setting up of an Italian kingdom had not the alternative been the cession of Dalmatia to Italy.

This American forecasts a severe famine in Croatia. Owing to mobilisation for war and the delayed release of Croat prisoners, hardly more than 10 per cent of arable land has been sown this year.

Probably the most valuable war booty which the Germans have gained by the occupation of Yugoslavia is 20,000 tons of high-grade aviation spirit which the Government had stored for use by the Yugoslav air force.

help to make Malaya one of the healthiest countries in the East. The Army and the R.A.F. have, therefore, had to give the most careful attention to health and anti-malarial measures for the troops in the ulu and they have been splendidly successful, for the rate of sickness in the Peninsula is generally below the average for the British Army.

### Water Obstacle

British and Indian troops have also been busily engaged on the construction of formidable defence systems in various parts of the Peninsula, incorporating water obstacles for tanks and ingeniously concealed defensive positions, innocent-looking attap huts frequently hiding concrete machine-gun nests.

I was especially impressed by the excellence of equipment and the quantity of tracked and motor vehicles, which give forces stationed in the Peninsula a high standard of mobility for operation along the main roads and in rubber and other comparatively open areas.

For work along tracks which will not take wheeled or tracked motor vehicles one battalion visited was equipped with sufficient bicycles to move the whole unit. In addition, of course, to the normal scale of motor transport.

## FORTUNE TELLER HELD UP VITAL WAR WORK

A woman Fifth columnist, acting as a fortune-teller, has been arrested at Toledo, Ohio, for disrupting production in one of the city's most vital war industries.

Hundreds of women and girl employees of a big metal works were advised when they consulted her to "go slow between 2.30 and 3.30 every afternoon, because at that time you are in danger of death or accident."

As a result production in the metal works slumped badly between these hours every day.

## TO ESCAPE THE NAZIS

A British fighter pilot who baled out over the sea described how he saved himself in mid-Channel by paddling for two-and-a-half hours in one of the rubber one-man dinghies with which fighter pilots are now equipped.

After taking part in a sweep over the coast of Northern France he was attacked by Me. 109s. He shot one down, but his plane was badly damaged.

"When I hit the water the shroud lines of the parachute fell on top of me. As I was entangled I had great difficulty in pulling up the dinghy, but I succeeded at last."

"I could see no land and I started paddling with my hands towards the English coast."

"When a formation of German planes went over I got out the dinghy and made myself scarce in the water. I saw some Spitfires shoot down a Nazi seaplane."

"I continued paddling until the English coast came in sight, and eventually I attracted the attention of an R.A.F. launch by splashing."

## SWEDISH PRESS FLAYS QUISLING'S SPEECH

The declaration made by Major Quisling, the Norwegian Prime Minister, cautioning Sweden not to abstain from joining the new European order, has been bitterly criticised by the Swedish press. Stockholm papers deny Major Quisling the right of speaking on behalf of the Scandinavian countries in general and Sweden in particular when the question of the future organisation of Europe is discussed.

Furthermore the Swedish public opinion, as voiced by the press of the capital, refuses to recognise Major Quisling's pretence to include into the Norwegian vital space the Swedish provinces of Bohuslan, Dainland and Harjedalen.



ASSISTANT TO MR. DUFF COOPER SAYS:

# BRITAIN MUCH STRONGER IN FAR EAST THAN EVER BEFORE

"IF JAPAN does think of attacking Malaya, she will have her hands full, for the Japanese must realise now that we are much stronger in the Far East than ever before, and as time goes on the possibility of the United States entering the war becomes greater," said Mr. William Denis Allen, second secretary to the British Embassy in Chungking, on his arrival in Singapore.

Mr. Allen is to act as assistant to Mr. A. Duff Cooper, the British Cabinet Minister, who is on a mission for the War Cabinet.

"Japan," said Mr. Allen in an interview with the "Straits Times," "must have since felt the effect of the United States freezing order and American aid to Russia. She cannot fail to observe also that the American attitude in regard to the war has become increasingly stronger."

Mr. Allen said the Chinese in Chungking hoped that America would enter the war. They were of the opinion that if Japanese expansion continued, the United States would have to act more drastically than she had done hitherto.

Anglo-Chinese relations had been brought closer following the recent events in Europe, and it was quite natural that the Chinese tended to judge their relations with Britain by the effect of British policy in Hong Kong, Singapore and Burma, Mr. Allen said.

Chinese felt that the German attack on Russia had "simplified" the world situation. They knew now where they stood — with Japan, Germany and Italy on one side, and Russia, Britain and China on the other.

Asked about Chungking's reaction to Japan's acquisition of bases in French Indo-China, Mr. Allen stated that the Chinese felt that the more firmly established the Japanese made themselves in Indo-China, the more serious became their threat to the Burma Road.

## Threat To Yunnan

"It is not so much the potential threat to Thailand that the Chinese are concerned with as the possibility of a Japanese move through Yunnan to cut off China's vital supplies along the Burma Road," he said.

It was, therefore, very important that China should keep open that vital supply route, and that she and Britain should work in close collaboration to achieve that object.

The Chinese, he said, did not know much about Burma before hostilities began, but through the Japanese threat to her freedom and their ideas of a "southward expansion," Chinese came to realise the importance of Burma to them and the maintenance of the Burma Road.

Relations between China and Burma had grown closer since that discovery, and there had been a regular inter-change of visitors and officials between the two countries. Relations were now much closer than before.

## No Negotiated Peace

China was prepared to prosecute the war with Japan indefinitely and there was no possibility of a negotiated peace materialising between the two countries, Mr. Allen added.

Mr. Allen went on to describe the attitude of the population of Chungking in face of the continued air raids.

"The saying that every visitor to London remarks, 'Your policemen are wonderful' applies also to the morale of the Chungking population," he said. "Their morale is wonderful. It is extraordinary. As soon as raiders have passed, construction of new buildings continues."

Mr. Allen, who arrived with his wife, was formerly attached to the Foreign Office in London. He was sent to Shanghai before being transferred to Chungking, where he had been for the past year.

# GREEKS FETE WAR CAPTIVES

("Daily Telegraph" Special Correspondent)

Despite frequent and severe penalties, the Greeks, I learn, continue to show their pro-British sentiments as wholeheartedly as two months ago.

Thus on the arrival of British prisoners from Crete recently, the people of Athens lined the streets applauding the prisoners and throwing flowers and cigarettes to them.

Again when a British plane crashed near Athens and the crew were killed Athenians flocked to the place and formed a silent guard of honour.

Then, despite German vigilance, further assaults are being made on the swastika flag flying on the Acropolis. Mud and refuse are slung at it by young men who climbed up secretly at night.

## Will Not Yield

A certain number of Greeks continue to get away from their country, and they come to Cairo in a steady trickle. All reliable reports which they bring confirm the impression formed before the German conquest that the occupation of Greece would form a liability rather than an asset to the Axis.

The population show not the slightest inclination to yield either to threats or blandishments. Meanwhile the food situation becomes ever more desperate. These two facts are the outstanding characteristics of life in Greece to-day.

The Germans and Italians buy up all the meat available in the stores, and vegetables are practically the only food available to the population. Bread supplies are extremely short.

It is said that the Germans have begun to use forced labour on a scheme for widening the Corinth Canal to enable it to take warships of the largest size, but this report lacks trustworthy confirmation.

# TWO BRITISH FREIGHTERS TORPEDOED

According to shipping quarters in New York two British freighters, the Sangara and the Elsbeth, have been torpedoed in the Atlantic.

These quarters also revealed that two French ships were cap-

# "JUST A SHAVE" IS OFF

"No shaving" notices have appeared on barber shops in some Kent towns. Shaving without a haircut does not pay.

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# SAYS HUSBAND BANNED DANCES

Dorothy Cecilia Binns, wife of Gunner Ivor Binns, R.A., told Carlisle magistrates that when he joined the Army her husband ordered her to send to him each week half her Army allowance of 2s. and bank the rest in his name.

"I continued in work as a shop assistant," said Mrs. Binns, who applied for a reparation order. "My husband forbade me to go to dances or to cafes."

The magistrates adjourned the case for a month, told the wife to stick to her Army allowance, and ordered the husband not to molest her meanwhile.

# MOSCOW HELD HIM PRISONER

Mr. Bruce Lockhart, it was announced in the House of Commons is to advise the Ministry of Information on foreign policy.

He was acting Consul-General in Moscow from 1915 to 1917. When the Bolshevik revolution broke out he was recalled. On being sent back in 1918 he was arrested and imprisoned in the Kremlin.

He was exchanged for M. Litvinov, who had been detained in England. He is 52.

# TRIED SHOCK FROM LIGHT

Attempted suicide by electrocution by their house electricity supply was alleged against Sergeant Hedley Steer and his wife, Catherine Isable, of Howard Road, Catterick, who were bound over for six months at Richmond, Yorks.

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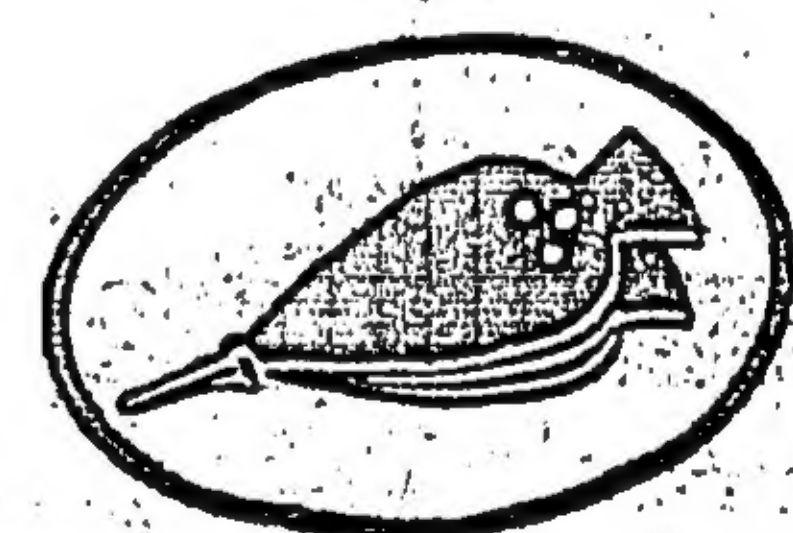
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## NORTH

A Q J 7 2

K J 3

7 5

10 9 6

## WEST

A 8 4 3

K 8 6 2

A Q 9 6 3

6 2

## SOUTH

K 9

10 9 6

10 4 2

A K Q J 7

## EAST

10 6 5

K Q 7 4

K J 8

8 4 3

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened a diamond, and the opponents rattled off the first five tricks. After that we had tricks to burn. North acidly observed that four spades was ice-cold. But didn't see how he could raise spades with only two trumps. What do you think?"

We cast one hearty vote for North. Four spades was indeed ice-cold and three no-trump couldn't be made. We don't believe in judging entirely by results, but they certainly should be taken into account. Perhaps the best way to judge the situation is to consider South's bidding problem on the second round.

Certainly, South has to make a strong bid at that point. He has as good as an opening bid in his own hand, and his partner has opened the bidding. He must therefore make every effort to reach a game contract. But what game contract?

Game at clubs is rather remote, since it requires eleven tricks. Game at no-trump should seem even more doubtful to the South player — since he hasn't the vestige of a stopper in either of the unbid suit. If anybody is to initiate no-trump bidding it must be North; South must not bid so as to indicate stoppers in the red suits when he doesn't actually hold those stoppers. But North has bid and rebid spades, and two strong trumps are sufficient support for a rebid suit. Therefore South should bid three spades at this point. If North then bids three notrump, South will be satisfied. As it happens, North's best bid would then be four spades — a makeable contract.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

A Q 10 7 5

K 8

Q J 5 2

Q 9 4 3

The bidding:

Schenken	Jacoby	You	Miler
1♠	2♥	2♠	3♥
Pass	Pass	(?)	(?)

ANSWER: Pass. It's true that you have a trifle more strength than your partner knows about, but letting sleeping dogs lie is a good policy. Evidently our partner has a near-minimum opening bid, since he could not bid over three hearts. You have little defensive strength against a heart contract and should therefore fear that further bidding by you would "push" the enemy into a makeable game contract; or that you would have to "sacrifice" at four spades.

Score: 100% for pass, 40% for three spades.

## Question No. 822

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Schenken	Jacoby	You	Miler
1♠	2♥	2♠	3♥
4♠	5♥	(?)	(?)

What do you bid? (Answer

to-morrow.)

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## ABBNEY SERMON BY PILOT

A young squadron leader of the Fighter Command stood in the pulpit of Westminster Abbey at the Empire Day Youth Service, looking down on schoolgirls, Boy Scouts and young members of all the Services.

In previous years the Abbey has been thronged at this service, but this time the congregation numbered only about a hundred.

In a clear voice the pilot, speaking from Cranmer's pulpit, warned them against letting their enthusiasm flag. "The young pilot flies a Spitfire for the first time and is thrilled," he said. "Then, during periods of inaction, boredom is apt to set in.

"We must seek the energy which will fit us to remake society and make a Christian peace through prayer.

## Call For Heroism

"This task of remaking society will call for as much heroism as the fighting in the battlefields, on land and sea, and in the air. We are in at the death of the old world. Let us pray that we may be in at the resurrection of a new."

Boys of the 16th Westminster Brigade of Scouts coming out of the Abbey said that the pilot had expressed exactly their own feelings.

The service, which was broadcast to the Empire, was arranged by the Dean of Westminster, Dr. de Labilliere, and the English-Speaking Union.

Victor Hayward Hall, a 17-year-old secondary schoolboy, sent a call to prayer to "young men and women in lands afar who are our comrades in the cause of truth and freedom."

## Contrast In Empires

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Lang, preaching at the Chapel Royal, St. James's, said that the British Empire had grown and evolved, bound together by the spirit of liberty, and the conduct in this war of all the peoples, including the native peoples of the Commonwealth, showed they found the Empire beneficent.

Hitler's empire was a wholly different conception of empire. The Reich of the ambitions, purposes and dreams of the ruler of Germany, repudiated all the ideals of the British Commonwealth.

## DECISIVE STRUGGLE NOW BEING FOUGHT IN TURKEY

"A decisive struggle is now being fought in Turkey between Anglo-Saxon and Axis diplomacy," the Ankara correspondent of the "Basler National Zeitung" states.

"The outcome of this struggle may well decide the fate of Turkey," he added.

In his opinion, the Anglo-Saxon powers now have the advantage, following the energetic action in Iran.

In Ankara, the British Ambassador, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, is being supported in his action by the American representative in Turkey, who is said to have informed the Foreign Ministry that his Government fully approved the Anglo-Soviet action in Iran.

The considerable diplomatic activity being displayed in Ankara, the military operations on the Russian front, and the aggression against Iran, are considered by the Basle press as just as many symptoms of the growing tension in Turkey and the Near East.

The correspondent of the "Basler National Zeitung" referred to the "unconfirmed reports of the departure of Baron Franz von Papen, German Ambassador to Turkey, for Germany to meet Chancellor Adolf Hitler at his Field Headquarters in Ukraine. A plan may be drafted at the meeting to counterbalance the Anglo-Soviet action in Iran.

The strengthening of German contingents in Bulgaria might result in "increasing pressure upon Turkey," he said.

In this connection, the same correspondent points out that during the past few days an argument was started over the air between Turkish and Bulgarian radio stations, and official quarters in Ankara have confirmed that this argument has brought about a tension between the two countries.

The correspondent believes, however, that a German-Bulgarian military action against Turkey is not likely.

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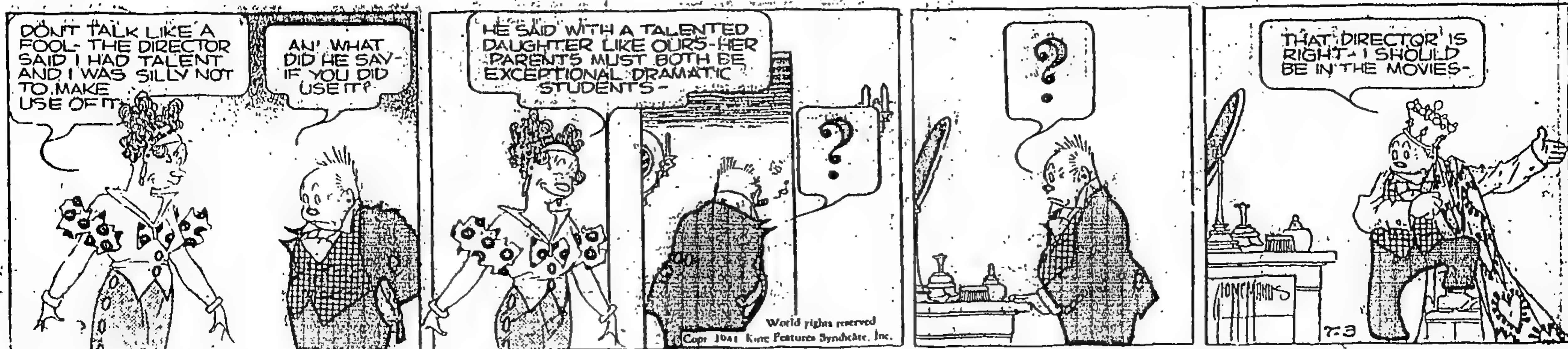
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## Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN

# Meticulous Beauties

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For instance, what young lady who travels with that new alligator handbag containing especially blended face powder, lipstick, rouge and cleansing cream, could descend from a train or plane looking anything but ravishing? For it is such a simple choice to cleanse one's face of travel grime just before the trip ends, and to apply becoming fresh make-up, if the aids are right there in one's handbag! And swank as anything the young lovely carries her beauty secret under her arm in the smartest disguises.

Then, there is that liquid deodorant fragrant with the geranium—the most heavenly of floral scents. What woman could resist pouring a few drops of that essential beauty into the palm of her hand, after her shower, and applying it where most needed? To be fresh and sweet is one thing, but to be assured of your sweetness and still smell like a lovely geranium is indeed something few women can resist! A two-ounce bottle, which is not the least bit expensive, would last the rest of the summer.

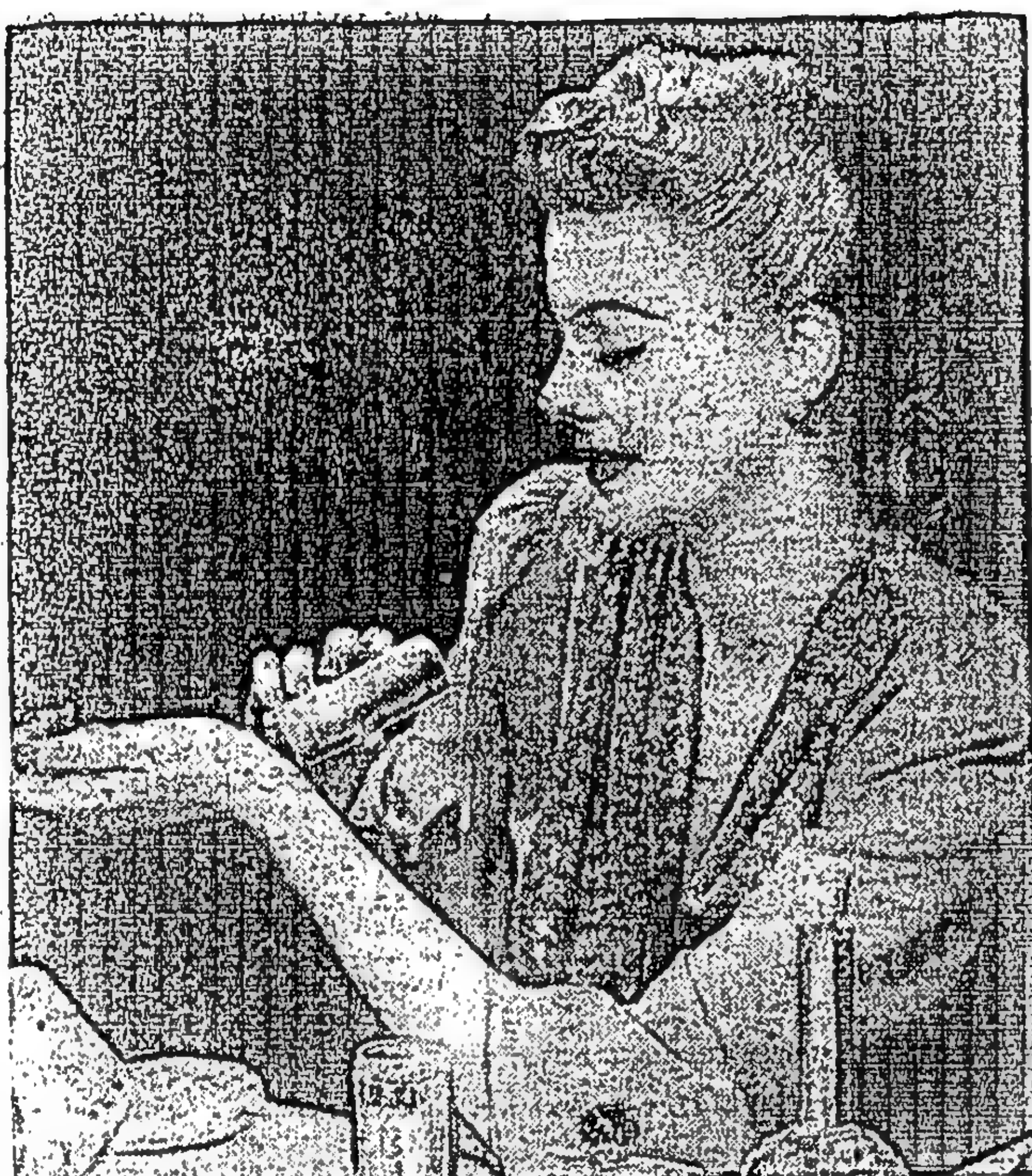
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If you want to be really efficient, of course, you'll have a card index to take care of filed recipes and hints.

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Do you cheat yourself out of new experiences by clinging to customs that you have outgrown mentally?

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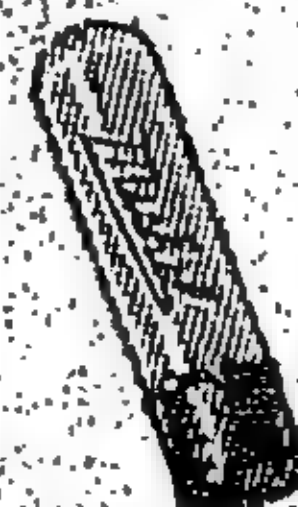
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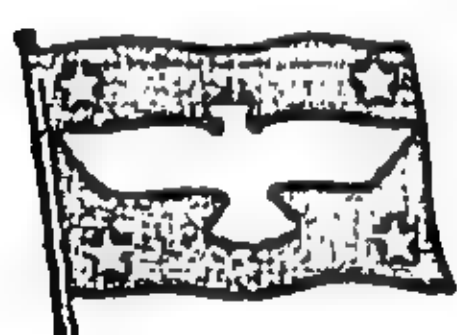
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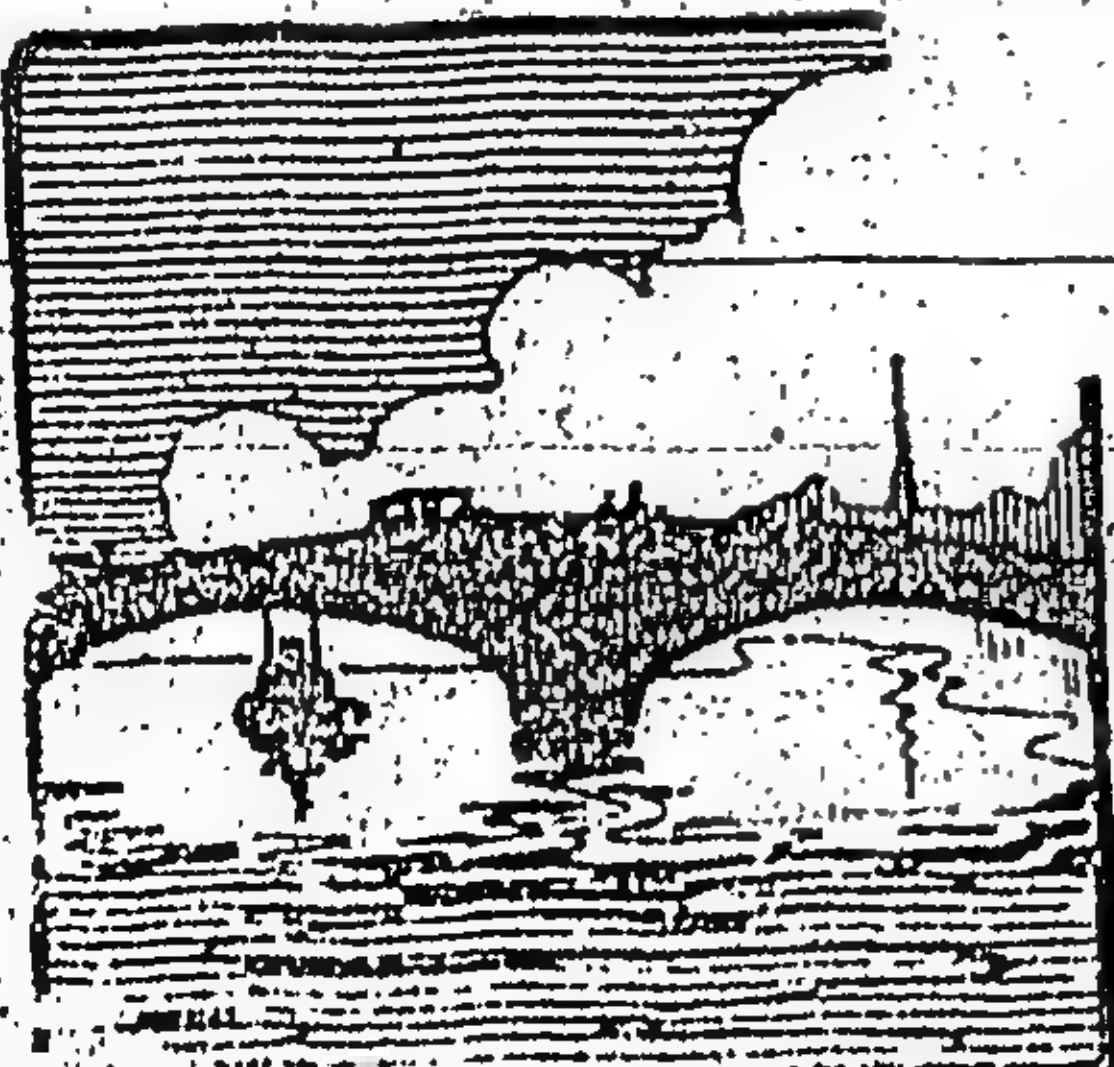
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## RADIO

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Interces-  
sion.

12.30 p.m.—The Hill Billies in Variety.  
Vocal—Hill Billy Love Song (The Hill  
Billies); Paradise Trail (Knighton  
& Crumb)...The Hill Billies with  
own novelty accomp.

Pianos—Boogie Woogie Prayer  
(Lewis Johnson Ammons);  
Meade Lux Lewis, Pete Johnson,  
Albert Ammons (Three Pianos).

Vocal—On The Isle Of May (Adapted  
by Kostelanetz from Tchaikovsky's  
"Spring Quartet in D Major").

Constance Boswell with Orchestra.

Organ—Palace Theatre Medley, In-  
tro. She Didn't Say "Yes" (Cat &  
The Fiddle); Night & Day (A. Gay  
Divorce); You're The Cream In My  
Coffee (Hild Everything); Anything  
Goes (Anything Goes); Blue Room  
(The Girl Friend); Tea For Two  
(No, No Nanette)...Reginald Foot.

Vocal—Across The Great Divide  
(Box-Cox-Roberts); My Little Buc-  
karoo (from film "Strange Laws")—  
Jerome)...The Hill Billies with  
own novelty accomp.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Pro-  
gramme Summary.

1.02 p.m.—Richard Strauss—"Burleske".  
Ely Ney (Piano) and The Stato  
Opera Orchestra.

1.20 p.m.—Violin Solos.  
In My Heart—Hungarian Melody  
(Misaki); Bird Songs At Eventide  
(Eric Coates)...Georges Tzipine  
with Organ.

Melodi (Yngve Skold)...Otto Kyndel  
with Piano.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press and  
Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Dance Music by Billy Thor-  
burn (Piano) and His Music.  
Fox-Trots—Wishing (from film "Love  
Affair"); One Sunday Afternoon...  
Billy Thorburn & his Music.

Fox-Trot Medley—Intro: Stairway To  
The Stars; I Never Knew Heaven  
Could Sprak; If I Were Sure Of You  
... Billy Thorburn with Drums.

Waltz—The Little Golden Ring;  
Isabelle—Serenade To An Empty  
House...Billy Thorburn & his  
Music.

Fox-Trot Medley—Intro: Shadows On  
The Moon; Somebody's Thinking Of  
You To-night; Please Be Kind.

Waltz Medley—Intro: Whispering  
Waltz; You Got The Best Of The  
Bargain; Am I The First One?...  
Billy Thorburn (Piano Solo) with  
Drums.

Fox-Trots—Night Over Shanghai;  
'Cause My Baby Says It's So (both  
from film "The Singing Marine")  
... Billy Thorburn & his Music.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

8.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.

8.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-  
tions.

8.47 p.m.—New Variety and Dance  
Music.

Fox-Trots—Take The "A" Train; I  
Guess I'll Have To Dream The Rest  
... Glenn Miller & his Orchestra.

Vocal—Blueberry Hill (Lewis, Stock,  
Rose); I Don't Want To Cry Any  
More (from film "Rhythm On The  
River")... Anne Shelton with Instr.  
accomp.

Fox-Trots—One Look At You: Lili  
Boy Love (from "A Night At Earl  
Carroll's")... Billy Cotton and his  
Band.

Vocal—Aurora (Berrins-Robert-Lav-  
gu); Accurate Mas (Farrel)... Tito  
Guizar with Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Blueberry Hill; Farewell  
Blues... Clive McCon & his Orch.

Vocal—We Three (My Echo) My Sha-  
dow & Me)... Elsie Carlisle with  
Instrumental accomp.

Waltz—Every Time I Look At You;  
Quick-Step—Johnny Peddler (I Got)  
... Billy Cotton & his Band.

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.

8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Com-  
mentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening  
Post". Examination of Points in  
Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.

8.32 p.m.—The New Mayfair Orchestra.  
Britelodia—A Selection of British  
Melodies (Rumphries).

"Love, Life & Laughter"—Selection.

8.48 p.m.—Drinking Songs.  
Drink, Drink, Brother, Drink—Waltz  
(Bendix)... Marek Weber & his  
Orchestra.

Drinks All Round—Intro: Vive La  
Compagnie; Come, Landlord Fill  
The Flowing Bowl; Little Brown  
Jug; Drinking; Old King Cole; What  
Shall We Do With The Drunken  
Sailor; Simon The Cellarer;  
Whiskey Johnny; Here's To The  
Maiden; We Won't Go Home Till  
Morning; Auld Lang Syne... Colum-  
bia Vocal Gem Company with Orch.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and An-  
nouncements.

9.02 p.m.—Studio—Raymond Lui and  
His Hawaiian Troubadours.  
1. My Tangi; 2. It Happened in Kalo-  
ha; 3. Hilo March; 4. Hawaiian  
Sant Me To Sleep; 5. La Rosita;  
6. Hawaiian Medley.

9.20 p.m.—Selections from Light Opera.  
"The King Steps Out"—Vocal Gems  
(Kreiser)... Orchestra.

"Dollars Princess"—Medley (Fall)...  
Nat Shilkret & his Orchestra.

Love Never Comes Too Late (from  
"Paganini")—Lehar)... Richard  
Tauber (Tenor) & Evelyn Love  
(Soprano) with The Lyceum Theatre  
Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on  
Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Faure—Ballade, Op. 19.  
Mme. Marguerite Long (Piano) with  
Orchestra.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News  
and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—Bizet's "Carmen" Act 1.  
Singers in order of appearance: Ines  
Alfrani Tullini; Astrid Batacchi;  
Aureliano Pertile; Bruno Carmassi;  
Aurora Buades and Chorus of La  
Scala, Milan, with the Milan Sym-  
phony Orchestra, conducted by  
Lorenzo Molajoli.

11.15 p.m.—Close down.

## THEY ARE MEN WITH MURDERED SOULS--

EVEN LITTLE CHILDREN are warned never to  
venture near those prison camps in Canada, where  
hundreds of gangster-like Hun U-boat and flying  
officers are interned.

The reason is that these perverted caricatures  
of humanity are enemies of anything that is good  
and sweet and pure. One prisoner, for instance,  
told Colonel Stetham, Canadian officer who is in  
charge of these camps, that "kindness is evidence of  
decadent democracy."

Another prisoner, when discuss-  
ing Germany's practice of torpedo-  
ing prisoner ships without warn-  
ing, said: "This is war. I would  
blow up any enemy ship even if  
my own wife and children were  
aboard."

The German officers consider  
themselves too important to work.  
They sit around "studying" and  
planning methods of escape—eat-  
ing and getting fat.

In one camp the increase in  
weight of the men totals seven  
and a half tons.

They eat better than the Britons  
they used to bomb; German funds  
and friends in the United States  
send them thousands of dollars  
over the border with which to buy  
luck.

They're supplied regularly with  
Canada's most reliable news-  
papers, but refuse to believe any-  
thing they read in them—except  
reports of British setbacks.

When newspapers report Ger-  
man defeats the Hun prisoners  
place their fingers on their noses,  
glare at the guard and shout  
"Hooley." They are particularly  
troublesome and arrogant when  
they learn of German successes.

They are all quite certain  
that Hitler will shortly win the  
war, and they have recently  
been holding elections to decide  
which among them shall become  
mayors of chief Canadian cities  
when the Fuehrer has imposed  
his New Order on the Dominion.

The prisoners have been pro-  
vided with neat denim uniforms,  
but many refuse to wear them.

"Such uniforms are degrading  
to Germans," they say, putting  
on shabby shorts instead.

Truculent, arrogant, sly, moody  
and greedy—these flying and sub-  
marine officers are, by common  
agreement among the Canadians,  
the nastiest specimens of human-  
ity ever to have fouled Dominion  
soil.

In other camps there are thou-  
sands of Germans without com-  
missions. The character and con-  
duct of these rankers and ratings  
are greatly superior to that of the  
officer class.

They are comparatively good-  
mannered; they work hard, and  
they even show their gratitude for

all the Canadians are doing to  
make their detention tolerable.  
But why are the German officer  
prisoners so inferior to the plain  
men they used to command?

The theory in Canada is that  
officers are the cream of Hitler-  
ism. From youth they've been  
poisoned and perverted by  
Satanic Nazi doctrines of hate  
and cruelty.

Hitler murdered their souls so  
that they, in turn, might murder  
women and children.

## GARDEN SECRET —MAN CHARGED

"I found them both  
dead," Lionel Rupert  
Nathan Watson, 31, was  
alleged at Ealing, W., to  
have told the police when  
arrested for the alleged  
murder of his wife and  
child.

The woman was described as  
Phyllis Crocker, 28, and the child  
as Eileen Crocker, 18 months.  
Their bodies were found buried  
in the garden of Watson's home in  
Goring-way, Greenford, Mid-  
dlesex.

Lady Humphreys, chairman  
of the magistrates, asked: Why  
is the man named Watson and  
the wife and child Crocker?  
Inspector Deighton: We do  
not know.

Watson was remanded.

The Inspector told how he saw  
Watson at the factory where he  
was employed as a bakelite moul-  
der and told him he was inquiring  
about the death of his wife and  
child.

Watson said, "I know. Don't  
show me up here. There is no  
need to hold me. I found them  
dead."

When charged he replied: "I  
did not murder my wife and  
child."

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# ANNUAL AWARDS FOR THREE BEST BEHAVED CHINESE FOOTBALLERS

By "Referee"

The soccer matches at the end of last season and the one last Saturday have provided sufficient funds for the endowment of not only one scholarship at Chinan University, where the late Chen Chen-wo, all-China footballer, was educated, but also for a second, at the University of Amoy, the birth-place of Chen.

## BOWLS NEXT SATURDAY

Following is next Saturday's programme of postponed Lawn Bowls League games.

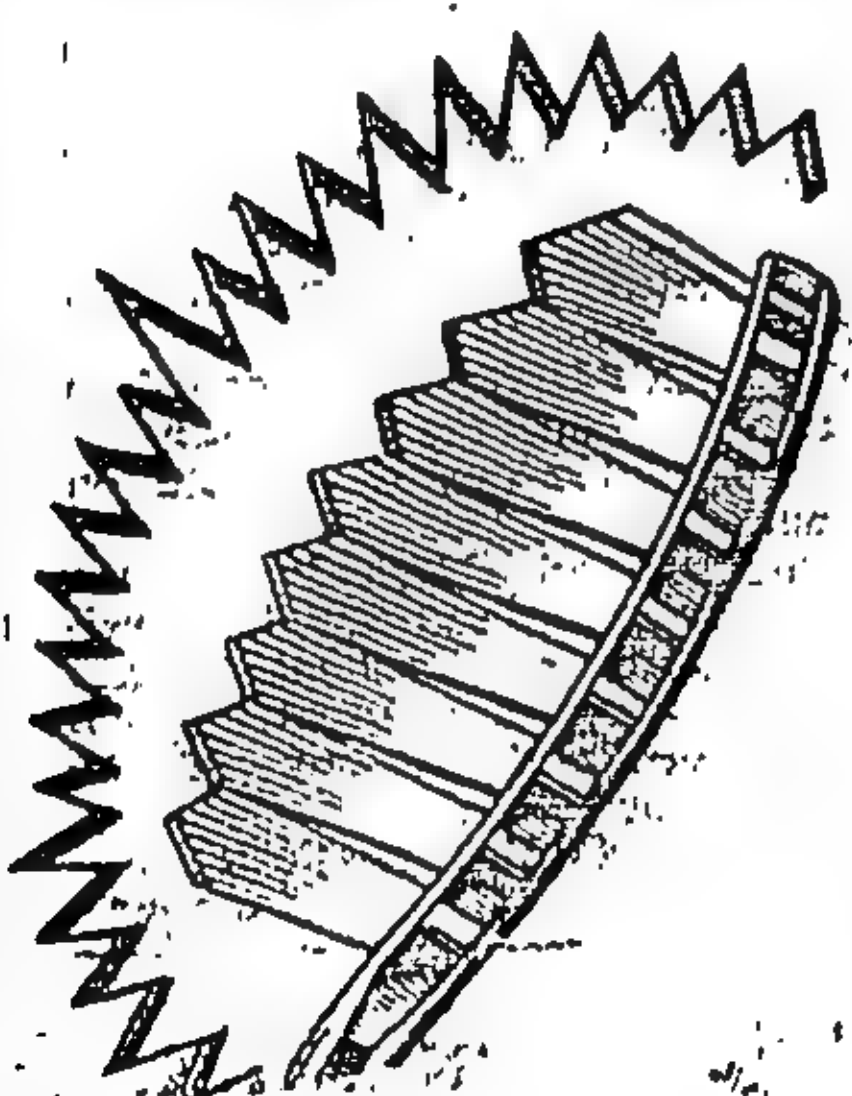
FIRST DIVISION	
IRC	A. KDHG
CCC	A. KBGC
PRC	A. Recreio "B"
Recreio "A"	A. C.S.C.C.
SECOND DIVISION	
HKCC	A. KFC
KTCCA	A. Taikoo
THIRD DIVISION	
HKCC	A. KFC
HKERC	A. IRC
PRC	A. KBGC

The seventh swimming gala of Hong Kong and Kowloon Residents' Union, which was scheduled to take place on Saturday last, has been postponed to Saturday next, September 20, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

The Sixth Lecture on Laws Nos. 13 and 14 in connection with Free Kicks and the Penalty Kick of Association Football will be delivered by R.S.M. E. C. Ford, Hon. Secretary of Army Officers' Sub-Committee, at the Scandall Point Hall to-day at 7 p.m. All interested in the game of soccer and candidates in particulars are welcome.

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THE AMOUNT COLLECTED WILL BE INVESTED IN CHINESE BONDS. THE INTEREST ON WHICH WILL BE SUFFICIENT TO ENDOW THE SCHOLARSHIP AND STILL LEAVE A SURPLUS.

As the late Chen Chen-wo was also connected with Hong Kong and football here, it has been decided to make an annual award from this fund of three prizes for the three best behaved Chinese footballers in Hong Kong Football League.

The award is open to all registered players in Hong Kong Football League and the behaviour of the players in friendly or representative games will also be taken into consideration.

At the end of the season Chinese clubs will be asked to nominate three players of their teams whom they think would qualify and a committee will be chosen to make the final award.

It is understood that the Committee will probably consist of a representative from Hong Kong Chinese Athletic Federation, Hong Kong Football Association, Hong Kong Football Referees' Association, Chinese Press and two or three of the Chinese public who are keen followers of the game.

## MINIATURE FOOTBALL

In the Miniature Football League yesterday at Causeway Bay, Ma Luk Clinic beat St. Joseph's by 3 goals to 2, after leading 3-1 at the interval.

Saints took the lead through Leonard but Ma Luk replied through Chu Wing-keung, Lai Chung-yuen and Leung Ping-kwan.

In the second half Saints reduced the arrears when Costa netted from a penalty.

Teams were:  
Ma Luk Clinic—Shuen Po-on, Lam Tak-po, Fok Yiu-wah, Leung Ping-sun, Lai Chung-yuen, Chu Wing-keung, Leung Ping-kwan.  
St. Joseph's—Sammy Tsang, Costa, Hussain, Lau Wing-kong, Santos, Hendy, D. Leonard.

## AMERICAN POLO TOURNAMENT

American national polo championship matches were watched yesterday by Lord Louis Mountbatten who saw the Pelicans beat the Texans 9-7 and so qualify to meet the Aknusti, winners last year, in the semi-final.

One semi-final was played when Gulf Stream beat Westbury 7-4, the Westchester Cup players, Michael Phipps and Stewart Iglehart respectively leading Gulf Stream and Westbury.—Reuter.

The recreation grounds inside the Race Course at Happy Valley will be open for winter sports as from to-day. Golf may be played in the mornings and on Tuesdays, Fridays and Sundays.

## MACAO RACE HANDICAPS

Handicaps for the September Meeting of Macao Jockey Club, at Arcadia Race Course, Macao, on Sunday, are as follows:

Race 1—"The Wan Chai Handicap"—Half Mile—China Ponies "A" Class—Coursier Bleu 140, Fairy Auk 152, Fairy Ousel 150, Hogmanay 155, Fairy Auk 148, Meadow Eve 148, Merry Maker 140, Rothery Bay 140, Victory Life 155.

Race 2—"The Hark Shu Wan Handicap"—(2nd Section)—Six Furlongs—China Ponies "E" Class—Black Diamond 152, Eagle 138, George 152, Hopeful Time 152, Labour Day 135, National Anthem 143, Sunshine Susie 152, The Mermoid 141, The Spirit of St. Louis 135, Victory Life 135.

Race 3—"The Berth Handicap"—Five Furlongs—Australian "D" Class—Blue Gown 135, Buckfastlight 142, Rising Star 160, Tarzan 135.

## SKATING CLUB

### "A" WIN 1-0

In the hockey (on roller skates) League for the Chi Yih Yat Po Cup, Hong Kong Skating Club "A" beat their "B" team at the Ciko Rink yesterday by an only goal, scored by Morrison.

To-morrow King's Skating Club meet Kowloon Skating rink and Blitz play Hong Kong Skating Club "B". Both games are at 5.30 p.m.

## CLUB BOWLS RESULTS

Following are the latest Club Lawn Bowls Tournament results:

**KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB CLUB CHAMPION**  
Semi-Final—T. A. Madar beat E. Zimmerman

**HANDICAP SINGLES**  
Second Round—S. A. Gray (6) beat R. Leigh (4); W. C. Hung (12) received a walk-over from A. Madar (2); E. Curtis (2) beat A. Steven (scr.).

**KOWLOON BOWLING G.C. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**  
First Round—V. C. Dixon beat M. Ferguson, Second Round—E. A. Atkins beat F. A. Cheesman.

**PRESIDENT'S CUP**  
First Round—F. A. Cheesman beat A. G. Gardner; L. Guy beat J. S. Dinneen, Second Round—C. S. M. Thom beat M. Ferguson.

**VICE-PRESIDENT'S CUP**  
First Round—A. G. Gardner beat S. C. Walker; L. A. Jordan beat W. S. Drake, Second Round—A. M. Holland beat E. A. Atkins.

**NON-PRIZE WINNERS**  
Second Round—E. V. Seale beat C. E. Turpin.

**KOWLOON DOCKS R.C. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**  
First Round—T. Coleman beat R. H. Lapsley, Second Round—W. Williamson beat C. S. M. Thom.

**HANDICAP PAIRS**  
First Round—F. Cullen and C. S. M. Thom (—3) beat J. McKelvie and W. D. McMaster (—2); Second Round—M. Ferguson and J. McPherson (scr.) beat T. Coleman and W. Williamson (2).

**BAPCO SHIELD**  
First Round—W. McMaster beat W. Williamson; M. Ferguson beat A. W. Lapsley; C. S. M. Thom beat C. Logan.

## 12TH R.A. PROGRESS

Last season 12th Battery R.A. were able to run only one team in Third Division, where they did fairly well, while in Army soccer circles they won the Artillery Cup for competition between Batteries.

This season they will be seen in Second and Third Divisions of Hong Kong Football League.

The Second Division team will be captained by Gunner Lane, who was undoubtedly their best player last season.

## R.H.K. YACHT CLUB MEETING POSTPONED

The Annual General Meeting of Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, which was to have been held at the Club-house, Kellie Island, yesterday, was postponed owing to the threatening typhoon.

Paul Christman, 23-year-old, All-American quarterback from the University of Missouri, has enlisted in the United States Naval Reserve as a chief boatswain's mate.

# OXFORD MAY HAVE LOST 'VARSITY MATCH BY NOT BATTING SECOND

IN THE DAYS OF 11-30 CRICKET STARTS THERE WAS GENERALLY ENOUGH DEW ABOUT TO MAKE THE EARLY OVERS INTERESTING, WRITES L. V. MANNING. NOW 11-30 SUMMER TIME MEANS 9-30 SUN TIME, IT IS MORE THAN A BIT.

It is even possible that Oxford lost the one-day 'Varsity match at Lord's by not putting Cambridge in, and some humorists in the pavilion did not fail to note that the first Oxford wicket was a catch by Dew.

This war-time tabloid certainly managed to hold on to some of the peace-time fixture qualities.

Cambridge actually passed their opponents' score of 171 for three wickets, with two hours to spare. But in order to carry out their contract with the 5,000 spectators, J. R. Bridger did not declare until 247 for seven wickets.

A cabinet meeting of the president and secretary of the M.C.C. with, believe it or not, a representative of the Press to help, decreed that the Cantabs had won by runs and not wickets.

## Catch Of The Season

The most unforgettable flash of cricket—by astronomical odds—was the catch by M. R. Holman that sent J. H. Gaster back.

A skimmer safely cleared point but cover, sprinting up from nowhere—skidding the last few yards on his shins clutched the apparently unreachable.

R. E. Crighton's 99 was vigorous front of the wicket left-hand batsmanship but he got so nervous about that over-rated mathematical milestone that his partners caught the panic and lost their wickets, too.

## REMINDER TO CLUBS

According to the Rules of Hong Kong Football Association a player who has played in two or more games in a higher division may not play in a lower division without the sanction of the committee.

A number of junior games will have to be played during the week and it is hoped that Clubs will not field players in these games who normally play regularly in a higher division.

## JOE DIMAGGIO HONOURED

Joe DiMaggio's teammates on the New York Yankees gave him a surprise party on August 28, presenting their star outfielder with a sterling silver humidor as a token of the important part he has played in the club's pennant drive. On the inside of the cover are engraved the individual signatures of the Yanks.

## QUADRANGULAR

### SWIMMING MEET

## POSTPONED TO OCT 7

Both Sing Tao and Eastern are sending teams to Macao to participate in the Open events at the Annual Aquatic Meeting there on Thursday and Friday.

As a result of this, the quadrangular swimming gala in aid of British and Chinese Charities, between Lai Tsun, Victoria Recreation Club, Eastern and Sing Tao, which was to have been held on these dates, has been postponed until after the Colony Championships and will now probably be held on Tuesday, October 7, at Chinese Y.M.C.A.

## SWIMMING

### CHAMPIONSHIPS

## POSTPONED

The Hong Kong Chinese Swimming Championships, which were to have commenced at the South China A.A. Pavilion to-day, have been postponed indefinitely.

New dates cannot be fixed until it is known what damage, if any, has been done to the pavilion and piers by the typhoon.

## BICKFORD ASKED TO PLAY

B. I. Bickford, of Club, has been invited to fill the left-wing position in the Governor's Cup team in the Charity football game on Sunday.

The major baseball leagues have presented the United Service Organizations with a cheque for G\$53,226.27, representing the net profit on the All-Star game in Detroit on July 8.

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# WARNING TO JAPAN

## Mr. Duff-Cooper's Broadcast From Singapore

### LEASE AND LEND FIGURES

President Roosevelt has reported to Congress that the actual exports of American war supplies to nations fighting the Axis under the Lease and Lend programme, totalled U.S. \$190,447,670 up to August 31 last.

This figure represented expenditures for weapons and other supplies actually sent abroad. The President added, however, that defence articles transferred, including some still awaiting shipment, amounted to an additional \$35,946,701, while the various services, for example repairing of warships, an additional \$78,169,377.

Furthermore, expenditure for articles for services not yet finished, amounted to approximately \$160,000,000, and the President calculated that "through the month of August, the total dollar value of defence articles transferred and defence services rendered, plus expenditures for other Lease and Lend purposes" amounted to about \$487,000,000.

President Roosevelt said that "planes, tanks, guns and ships, have begun to flow from our factories and yards, and the flow will be accelerated from day to day, until the stream becomes a river, and the river a torrent engulfing this totalitarian tyranny which seeks to dominate the world."—Reuter.

### Solidity Of A B C D Front

A SOBER, GUARDED warning to Japan that she is to-day "one isolated Power facing overwhelming superiority in the Pacific," and a declaration that "it seems, therefore, hardly believable that the one Axis Power in the Pacific world will deliberately bring down upon her head the concentrated wrath and fury of all the Allied powers that stand firmly united on this side of the world," were made by Mr. Alfred Duff-Cooper, who is on a special mission, in a broadcast to London from Singapore last night concerning his first impression of the Far East.

Mr. Duff-Cooper pointed out that the Pacific Ocean was the biggest in the world, being vaster than all the lands of the world combined, and "it may well be that the Pacific world will play a greater part in human affairs in the future than the world of the Atlantic."

Analysing the situation in the Pacific to-day, Mr. Duff-Cooper stressed that there was only one Power pledged to the Axis, while those representing the Allied cause made up a formidable array.

Examining those Powers in detail he made the following comments:

China: Four hundred million people in whose hearts beat a new patriotism, the fruit of aggression, a new sense of unity, and a new

passionate determination to maintain their independence and drive the invader from their shores.

#### N.E.I.

The Netherlands East Indies: "Those beautiful fertile lands which the Dutch have governed so admirably... Dutchmen who have already demonstrated by land, sea and air that they have not forgotten their glorious military past."

Russia: Remorseless, almost invincible fighter... which sprawls over half Europe and Asia.

The United States: "Whose gigantic shadow... of 130,000,000 people pledged to the destruction of tyranny... looms behind the British Empire."

The British Empire itself, whose "whole forces are pledged to the support of the Allies... with the backing of Australia and New Zealand—young nations with vigour, courage and vision of a great future."

#### Transformation

These Powers, continued Mr. Duff-Cooper, are "formidable." A year ago they were in a doubtful position, Russia being connected with the Axis and the United States being much less ready to help the cause of liberty and justice.

"However, the situation has undergone a complete change... there can be no doubt what the result will be when so many nations are united together and ready for whatever may come."—Reuter.

### GOEBBEL'S MACHINE

REVELATIONS ABOUT THE FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF THE AXIS NEWS AGENCIES ARE CONTAINED IN THE THIRD REPORT ISSUED IN BUENOS AIRES BY THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE WHICH IS INVESTIGATING ANTI-ARGENTINE ACTIVITIES.

The report shows that the Trans-Ocean News Agency, a German undertaking, and the Italian Euro-American undertaking have spent enormous sums in propaganda though the profits they made were negligible.

Between 1937 and 1940, the Trans-Ocean News Agency received one million pesos from Berlin while local receipts did not exceed 26,000 pesos.

In one month this news agency spent 20,000 pesos compared with local receipts of 6,000 pesos.—Reuter.

#### DEATH

FUNG KONG UN.—On Sunday, September 14, 1941, at No. 54, Bonham Road, Hong Kong, Fung Kong Un (owner of Fung Tang), aged 68 years, Funeral will take place on Wednesday, September 17, and last respects will be paid at the Farewell Pavilion, Kennedy Town, at 2 p.m.

### STOP PRESS

The Royal Observatory at 10.30 a.m. indicated that the typhoon was expected to strike Hong Kong round about tiffin time.

An official statement issued by the Royal Observatory at 11 a.m. to-day states:

"The typhoon continued to approach the Colony slowly during last night and at 6 a.m. to-day was centred about 60 miles south-east of Hong Kong, moving slowly north-west."

"The centre is expected to pass Hong Kong during the day and winds of gale force are likely to continue until the evening."

"The No. 9 Signal replaced the No. 7 at 9.27 a.m."

"The highest gust recorded at the Royal Observatory up to 10.30 a.m. was 84 miles per hour registered at 9.30 a.m. from north-north-east."

"The rainfall has not been very heavy. 0.69 inch being recorded in the 24 hours ended at 10.30 a.m. to-day."

Describing them as a prelude of things to come, the Moscow Radio yesterday mentioned Hitler's enormous tank losses on the Eastern front.

"The German tanks were Goebbels' trump card in his myth about German invincibility" the announcer said.

"In time of war against a weak and isolated adversary of the west, this argument carried some weight but it has fallen through deplorably in the campaign against the U.S.S.R."

"During the first week of the war, German tank forces sustained losses which it is possible to replace. After three weeks' war, however, Hitler lost 12 tank divisions and after two months' of war 8,000 tanks in all."

"These figures are too palpable for Goebbels' foolish 'swaggering out of stories of victories of German armies in the East to stand the test."

"But these figures are far from final. They but the prelude of things yet to come."—Reuter.

British planes attacked an escorted enemy convoy off the Frisian Islands yesterday afternoon leaving one ship sinking and another hit and damaged.—Reuter.

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SHARP  
TOBRUK  
FIGHTING

A Middle East communique states that patrols from Tobruk have intensified their activity carrying out a series of brilliant raids against the enemy position facing the eastern sector of our defences.

One Italian officer and three other ranks were captured from one strong point.

At two other strong points, close fighting took place wherein the enemy sustained heavy casualties, leaving twenty killed on the ground and two prisoners in our hands. In addition, one field gun and one anti-aircraft gun were destroyed.

In retaliation, a strong enemy force supported by a number of tanks engaged and overran by sheer weight of numbers one of our listening posts containing six men.

Three German tanks employed in this operation were subsequently engaged and captured by British tanks and the enemy concentration was then dispersed by heavy artillery fire.

In the frontier area, two enemy columns containing armed fighting vehicles carried out reconnaissance in force penetrating some miles across the frontier.

Under cover of close air support, advance elements of our mechanised forces engaged these columns inflicting considerable damage and losses upon them.

One German medium tank, complete with crew, was captured. Both enemy columns are now withdrawing, closely followed up by British troops.

Driven Back

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")  
THE MIDDLE EAST COMMAND IN CAIRO ANNOUNCES FIERCE FIGHTING BETWEEN BRITISH AND AXIS TROOPS ON THE EGYPTIAN-LIBYAN FRONTIER.

At Tobruk enemy columns penetrated some miles but were thrown

A 14,600-ton British vessel went aground on Green Island, a 3,000-ton unidentified ship was ashore off Mount Davis, and a ship still under construction was swept from its moorings off the Taikoo Docks and blown ashore near the Ritz at North Point.

Junks drifting helplessly before the gale were sighted, but so far no casualties have yet been reported. One large junk sank off Castle Peak.

Restaurants in town did a roaring trade as many office workers who habitually return home for lunch were stranded by the suspension of the ferry service.

Shipping Disrupted

Shipping between Hong Kong and Macao was disrupted, the ships concerned cancelling their clearances to the Portuguese Colony while no vessels arrived from Macao.

Ferries ceased operations a few minutes after the No. 9 Typhoon Signal was hoisted and tramcars were recalled to depot. The bus service on the mainland ceased functioning at 12.30 p.m. and those on the Island were restricted to routes 5 and 5A serving between Kennedy Town and Happy Valley and Kennedy Town and Tai Hang.

Gusts of gale force swept the Colony, tearing down signboards, blowing away flower pots, and ripping off leaves and branches of trees in certain neighbourhoods.

A suspended electric light at the junction of Pedder Street and Des Vaux Road Central was damaged, the bulb being blown to bits, while trees were uprooted off Wongneichung Gap Road falling across the highway and blocking it. Coolies from the P.W.D. were sent out to clear the way. The Traffic constable's "box" at Star Ferry was also blown away.

Wild Harbour

Very rough weather was experienced in the Harbour with huge waves slashing the waterfront. Several junks were seen drifting at the mercy of the gale from east to west while some ocean-going vessels went aground.

At 6 a.m. a large junk from Chinese territory whilst taking shelter from the gale in a little

back with heavy losses. Under cover of aircraft support, British troops and mechanised units engaged enemy columns which then withdrew, followed by our troops.—International News Service.

bay at Castle Peak was caught in a gust and overturned and sunk, throwing the occupants into the water. The five or six men, however, managed to swim shore.

Two large cargo trading junks were sighted drifting at the mercy of the gale past Kellet Island and off Wanchai.

A 14,600-ton British ship, sent out a wireless message to the Water Police stating that the ship had gone aground on Green Island. No details were available at the time of writing.

Ship In Bathing Sheds

An almost completed vessel which was to undergo trial to-day was swept away from her moorings off Taikoo Docks and went aground on the west side of the Ritz at North Point, crashing into one of the sheds.

A smaller vessel, the s.s. Tang Wo, was blown ashore on Stonecutters' Island, while a 3,000-ton ship, name and nationality yet unknown, was reported to have gone aground off Mount Davis.

Observatory Report

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Ponies Aboard

It is understood that the final batch of Australian ponies, a total of 30 in all made up of 20 subscription griffins and four griffins, are on a ship just outside Hong Kong.

Inquiry Postponed

No. 9 signal, indicating that the gale is expected to increase, was (Continued on Page 10)

PANAMA  
CANAL  
RAIDER

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Admiral Frank Sadler, Commandant of the 15th Naval District, said that if necessary he was prepared to send out additional ships and planes to track down the German raiders reported to be operating within the range of Panama Canal shipping, and revealed that the Army were cooperating with the Navy in the search.—International News Service.

Not Welcome

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Chamber of Deputies in Buenos Aires has adopted a motion declaring the German Ambassador persona non-grata, amounting to a declaration that Herr Von Hermann is not welcome after the activities investigated by the Little Dies committee. Hermann is expected to leave immediately. The deputies also called on the Government to dissolve all Nazi organisations in Argentina.—International News Service.

ONLY 12  
MILES  
FROM  
SMOLENSK

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Seventeen German bombers were shot down in a tremendous air battle in which a hundred planes participated, in an unsuccessful German effort to smash the defences of Leningrad.

Two German regiments were routed, one losing eighty per cent of their effectives, the High Command in Moscow announced in a supplementary communique.

Marshal Timoshenko's forces on the Central Front are now only 12 miles from Smolensk. During the last 10 days, 20,000 Rumanians have been killed in the Odessa sector and thousands more captured.—International News Service.

FIRST TIME  
NOT THE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Col. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, has criticised Lindbergh for the assertion that the British, Jews and the Roosevelt Administration are leading the nation into war.

"My reaction to this is that the words are dictated by Goebbels himself. The address is un-American, but this is not the first time Lindbergh has made such un-American speeches.—International News Service.



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# Germans In Iran Displaying Refusal To Go Quietly

## Hint That Shah May Have To Go

**AUTHORITATIVE QUARTERS** in London yesterday stated, according to Reuter's Diplomatic Correspondent, that the Germans in Iran are displaying all the tactics typical of men under arrest who refused to go quietly.

They are impeding the Iranians by a display of futile silliness but the British and Soviet authorities have every intention of seeing the job is done speedily and thoroughly.

During the week-end, they insisted that the Iranians should get the Germans out of their Legation and anywhere else they happened to be lurking and that they should be concentrated in barracks at Teheran ready for dispatch to Ahwaz in the British zone or Kasvin in the Russian zone.

It is not known for certain in London how many Germans have packed themselves in the Legation but is evidently a matter of several hundreds.

Generally, the position is that while the Iranian Government is well-intentioned and shows every desire to collaborate, it is being impeded wherever possible by the Germans themselves and very probably by certain other Iranian elements with partiality for the Axis autocracy.

### The Shah

The Iranian Government, therefore, requires a good deal of stiffening from the British and Soviet quarters to strengthen their hands in clearing up the situation. The Allies have no intention of allowing matters to drag on indefinitely.

News and reports from Iran which speak of growing and widespread dissatisfaction among the Iranian people with the autocratic regime of the Shah are fully borne out by official information reaching London.

This public feeling doubtless serves to increase the difficulties of the Iranian Government. The Shah, moreover, allowed official expression to be given in an Iranian paper to sentiments of friendship with the Axis countries.

### All Necessary Measures

The paper in which he did so has since been suppressed by the Iranian Government and the article repudiated on the Teheran Wireless of which the Iranian Government has taken control.

Meanwhile, the British and Soviet Governments are determined that their requirements must be fulfilled and will take all necessary measures to strengthen the hand of the Iranian Government in securing their objectives. — Reuter.

### "WIFE MY WISEST COUNSELLOR"

In his will Sir William Henry Seager, the ship-owner, of Cardiff, referred to his wife as "my helpmate, best friend and wisest counsellor." He left £180,418, of which £153,702 was net personalty. Estate duty of £52,571 was paid.

In a bequest to his wife, Sir William stated: "I rejoice exceedingly that her love for and confidence in me has not been unrewarded and that my determination to make good, accompanied as it was by much anxiety, has brought its own reward of duty done and I by courage and faith was enabled to win through against big odds."

## CZECHS BOYCOTT NEWSPAPERS

AS AN EXPRESSION OF THEIR INDIGNATION AT THE ATTITUDE OF THE GERMAN-CONTROLLED CZECH NEWSPAPERS IN THE GERMAN "CZECH PROTECTORATE," WHICH ARE INCREASINGLY CONTEMPTUOUS IN THEIR REFERENCES TO THE REAL CZECH LEADERS AND HAVE ADOPTED TOWARDS THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES, AN ATTITUDE EVER MORE VIOLENT THAN OF THE NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHED IN THE REICH ITSELF, THESE NEWSPAPERS ARE TO BE BOYCOTTED BY THE POPULATION, SAYS REUTERS DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT.

According to information reaching London, the Czechs for a whole week will refrain from buying, reading, borrowing or opening any Czech newspaper.

The boycott began yesterday, the fourth anniversary of the death of M. Thomas Masaryk the first President of Czechoslovakia.

What is very significant is the fact that the Slovak population has agreed to boycott its own German-controlled newspapers for the same period. — Reuter.

## WELFARE OF ARMY IN H.K.

A Command Welfare and Amenities Board has been formed with the object of obtaining and distributing to the Troops radio sets, gramophones, records, books, papers, pictures, playing cards and any other articles to improve the comfort of British, Indian and Chinese Troops in Barracks, forts, and Camps. The Board will administer funds granted from time to time by the Home and Indian Governments and will be most grateful for any gifts in kind such as old books and magazines, records, rattan chairs, etc., for which the owners have no further use. Such gifts will be gratefully received by the Garrison Adjutant who will arrange to collect them if so desired.

The Board is composed of the D.A.A.G., the Senior Chaplain and the Garrison Adjutant and will have the advice of Indian army officers when questions regarding the welfare of Indian troops arise. It is in no way intended to interfere with the activities of the philanthropic bodies in Hong Kong who do so much for the services. The object is rather to provide a central authority to secure equitable distribution of

## TO ADOPT PRISONERS OF WAR

An "adoption" scheme recently started in the United States is already providing numbers of British prisoners of war with extra parcels of food and tobacco. One American woman has adopted all Welsh Guards prisoners. They number about 200.

Each man receives a series of eight packages containing sardines, cheese, honey, chocolate, canned vegetables, milk, tobacco and cigarettes. These are now being packed and despatched from Lisbon. The donor, who wishes to remain anonymous, has family associations with the regiment.

About 250 other prisoners adopted by Americans are being sent regular parcels direct from the United States. Mrs. Alec Tuck, wife of the United States Consul at Buenos Aires, is sending parcels to 50 prisoners.

Another successful group adoption scheme has been organised by schoolfellows of Capt. Ian Campbell, heir presumptive to the Dukedom of Argyll, who is a prisoner in camp 7C, Bavaria.

### Prisoners Cheerful

Old boys of Milton School, Boston, Massachusetts, where Capt. Campbell was educated, are now looking after 100 of his fellow-prisoners in the Bavarian camp. Capt. Campbell writes to his wife in Lisbon that "parcels are now coming in from every corner of the United States, from Baltimore to Seattle."

Other letters from various camps show that the prisoners are cheerful and well provided with necessities.

The conditions of the so-called reprisal camp at Posan appear to have improved. The men write that they are now allowed out for a walk three times a week. They are receiving parcels, including some forwarded from the Bavarian camp where they were previously interned.

A party of 150 men have recently been removed from the reprisal camp to Stalag 20A, in the same district, which they report to be more comfortable.

## MYSORE POWER PROJECT

It is learned that the Government of Mysore State has sanctioned £2,100,000 for working the Jog Falls hydro-electric scheme for generating 32,000 h.p. preliminarily.

It is understood that the power thus generated will be utilised for accelerated war work. — Reuter.

The money grants referred to above and of the gifts in kind which are from time to time so generously made by local people.

The Board would like to take this opportunity of thanking those who have in the past made gifts in kind to the troops.

## ATTEMPTED RAIDS ON MOSCOW

German planes yesterday attempted to raid Moscow but were driven off before reaching the city.

This was announced by the Soviet Information Bureau yesterday. — Reuter.

## Air Raid Casualty Figures

One hundred and sixty-nine persons were killed or are missing and believed killed as a result of a German air raid on the United Kingdom during August.

This number includes 56 men, 72 women and 28 children under 15 years of age, and 13 not classified.

During the same period 136 persons were injured and detained in hospital. This figure includes 66 men, 51 women and 19 children under 16 years of age.

During August last year, 1,085 persons were killed and 1,265 seriously injured. — Reuter.

## COAL STRIKE THREAT IN UNITED STATES

ABOUT 37,000 SOFT COAL MINERS EMPLOYED IN THE "CAPTIVE" MINES OF SEVEN STEEL CORPORATIONS, OPERATING TO CAPACITY ON DEFENCE ORDERS WERE ORDERED TO GO ON STRIKE YESTERDAY IN PITTSBURG.

The corporations affected include the nation's three largest steel producers—the United States Steel Corporation, the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, and the Republic Steel Corporation.

The strike order has been issued in support of the demand for closed shop. — Reuter. ("Captive" mines are those whose coal is used entirely by the parent organisation).

## QUEEN MARY TIDIES A CAMP

"You take this," said Queen Mary handing some branches she had pulled out of the undergrowth to the small boys and girls surrounding her.

Hatless, the Queen suddenly walked into the rest camp for blitzed mothers and babies which the Lord Mayor of Bristol has opened in the West Country.

She told them she had come to clear away the undergrowth to clear the trees so that the mothers at the camp could sit in the shade.

One her previous visit she had noticed that there was no clear space where they could take their chairs and rugs.

She brought two soldiers with her with rakes to do the job and got the children to help.

## SERIOUS VIEW TAKEN OF THREAT TO KIEV

(Military Comment By "Annalist")

A SERIOUS VIEW IS TAKEN IN LONDON OF THE GERMAN THREAT TO KIEV.

It is obvious that the German High Command is making another attempt to use a pincer offensive which has not proved conspicuously successful so far.

In the territories where the fighting hitherto has taken place there are no towns of sufficient importance to call for their defence to the last and as a consequence the Soviet forces always evaded the arms of the pincers while inflicting the maximum loss on the enemy as they advanced.

This system of "elastic defence" has proved exceedingly successful and the only cases where the Soviet troops did not elude the German encirclement were at Tallinn and Odessa.

Both these places, however, could be reinforced and supplied from the sea and Tallinn was finally evacuated when resistance was no longer possible.

### Leningrad Position

Odessa is still holding out and seems confident of its ability to do so indefinitely.

The case of Leningrad is not entirely analogous because, according to Russian claims, it is not

completely encircled, although seriously menaced.

BUT KIEV IS NOW DISTINCTLY THREATENED AND THE RUSSIANS APPARENTLY HAVE NO INTENTION OF EVACUATING THE PLACE BUT WILL RELY ON THEIR DEFENCES, ON THEIR INDOMITABLE SPIRIT AND ON THE RIGOURS OF THE WINTER TO KEEP THE GERMANS AT BAY.

### All Weight

It is obvious that the Germans are throwing all their weight into the scale to try and effect a decisive success in the few days left before winter sets in.

Already the first snow has fallen at Murmansk and low temperatures further south point to a severe winter.

The advantages conferred by "General Frost" will all be on the side of the defenders who not only will be better sheltered but better equipped for the extreme variations in temperature. — Reuter.



# "TO CAPTURE OR DESTROY"

## American Orders To U.S. Navy

### Answer To Hitler

**BEGINNING FROM TO-MORROW, THE UNITED STATES NAVY WILL PROTECT ALL LEASE AND LEND CARGOES TRAVERSING THE SEA "BETWEEN THE AMERICAN CONTINENT AND THE WATER ADJACENT TO ICELAND," SAID THE UNITED STATES NAVY SECRETARY, COLONEL FRANK KNOX, ADDRESSING THE AMERICAN LEGION CONVENTION AT MILWAUKEE (WISCONSIN) YESTERDAY.**

Colonel Knox described the Atlantic Fleet orders in unequivocal language — "to capture or destroy" every Axis surface or sub-surface raider that is encountered.

"This is our answer to the type of warfare denounced by Hitler's declaration that he will try to sink every ship encountered on the routes leading from the United States to British ports," Colonel Knox added.

Colonel Knox's announcement came near the end of his address, in which he declared that since the United States' occupation of Iceland on July 7, "Hitler and the Nazis have been palpably losing the Battle of the Atlantic" and were therefore forced to attempt to break down the bridge of ships carrying supplies to Britain.

"If Hitler and the Nazis did not take swiftly successful measures to break down that bridge," said Colonel Knox, "the defeat of England and the primary purpose of war, would have become impossible. If they did make such an all-out effort they would add the United States Navy to their numerous foes."

#### Grim Choice

"It was a grim choice but the Nazi action in the past few days has left little room for doubt as to what they will do. A German submarine accosted an American destroyer carrying mail to our outpost in Iceland. The encounter came in broad daylight and the American destroyer carried identification marks."

"At short range, the submarine discharged three torpedoes aimed at the American destroyer. The 'Greer' evaded them and promptly attacked the submarine with depth charges," Colonel Knox continued.

#### Too Broad

Pointing out that the Navy Department immediately published all information about this incident while the German Government countered by saying that the "Greer" fired the first shot, Colonel Knox said: "The whole issue is far too broad to make the question who fired the first shot of great importance," but he added, he wanted to refer to it because "it offered a chance to that curious organization, 'The America First Committee' to tell the American public that in its judgment it was more likely that the German U-Boat Commander was telling the truth than the American naval officer who commanded the 'Greer'."

#### Important Fact

"This is an important fact for the American public to digest: that we have in our midst an organization of American citizens who on the question of veracity had declared publicly that they preferred to accept the word of a practical murderer of women and children on the high seas engaged in

the type of warfare denounced by every civilized nation in the world."

Colonel Knox avoided using the word "convoy" saying that beginning from to-morrow the American Navy "will provide protection as adequate as we can make it for ships of every flag carrying Lease and Lend aid supplies."—Reuter.

#### Since July 7

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Addressing the American Legion Convention in Milwaukee, Colonel Frank Knox, Secretary of Navy, said that from July 7 American Naval vessels had been keeping guard on United States and Icelandic ships en route to Iceland and the safe delivery of Lease and Lend supplies to British ports during that period had "reached an all-time high."

Colonel Knox reiterated the Fleet's orders to "capture or destroy Axis submarines and surface raiders encountered," avoiding the word convoy. President Roosevelt sent a message to the Legionnaires appealing for "whatever sacrifices may be necessary to meet the threat to our national security."—International News Service.

### STRIKE TIES UP SHIPPING

**NINE SHIPS ARE NOW TIED UP IN NEW YORK AS A RESULT OF A STRIKE CALLED BY THE SEAFARERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA, WHICH BEGAN ON SATURDAY.**

In an interview on Monday, Mr. John Hawk, National Secretary of the Union, said that the strike would spread to many other ships now at sea when they reached port.

The strike been called to enforce the Union's demands for an "adequate war bonus" for its members.

The demands affect all ships bound for Axis or Allied ports, said Mr. Hawk in an interview on Saturday.—Reuter.

#### BURMA EXEMPTION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Mr. Cordell Hull, United States Secretary of State, has announced, in Washington, that the Burmese Government has agreed to the exemption of all transit taxes on Lease and Lend goods to China over the Burma Road.—International News Service.

### TARGET FOR TO-NIGHT

"Target For To-night," a great R.A.F. film in which the leading actors were actual participants in a bombing raid on Germany is to be released immediately in U.S.A., Canada and Latin America.

It is estimated the film will be shown in over 12,500 cinemas in these countries and will be seen by at least fifty million people.—British Wireless.

### R.A.F. AID TO RUSSIA

With a complete self-contained R.A.F. Wing already in Russia, Britain and the United States are pushing planes and still more help to the Soviet Union.

Mr. Harriman interviewed on his arrival in London on an American bomber to make final arrangements prior to leaving with his commission for Moscow, said that the joint members of the American delegation had arrived aboard a bomber in company with M. Oumansky, the Soviet Ambassador to the U.S. who will accompany them to Moscow.

The announcement of the R.A.F. Wing on the Russian front has caused intense speculation chiefly as to how large an establishment Britain intends to send and how many American-made bombers and fighters will participate in the Russo-German conflict.

According to the Air Ministry the Wing includes pilots and ground crews, though the number of squadrons is not disclosed.—International News Service.

### AIRSHIPS TO GUARD BOSTON

Airships will guard Boston Harbour against submarines, Captain Charles Rosendahl, naval dirigible expert, disclosed yesterday in Boston (Massachusetts).

Six "blimps" will be stationed at the new dirigible base at South Weymouth to guard the approaches to the Harbour.

Interviewed, Captain Rosendahl said that 48 non-rigid blimps have been authorised and that money for 27 had been appropriated.—Reuter.

### INDIAN LABOUR RESOLUTION

The Executive Committee of the All-India Trades Union Council, claiming to represent over 150,000 workers, passed a resolution in Bombay yesterday welcoming the move of the British Trades Union Congress to set up a joint Anglo-Soviet Trades Union Council to intensify the anti-Fascist struggle and safeguard the interests of the workers and condemning the attitude of the All-India Trade Union Congress in the matter.—Reuter.

## EVERY TANK FOR A WEEK TO GO TO RUSSIA

**EVERY TANK AND tank part made in Britain in the next week is to be sent straight to the front lines defending Leningrad, Kiev and Odessa.**

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His message runs: "The call is for the utmost. From now on tank factories in this country must supply not only the armies of Britain but the needs of Russia, whose soldiers to-day fight in the same shining cause."

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### RULE HTS ARMY FAMILIES

A soldier's children suffer more than he does when he is punished by pay deductions.

Because of this an attempt is to be made in the House of Commons to have the system abolished.

Captain Glenvil Hall, M.P. for Colne Valley, Yorks, is to raise the question in the House.

He will tell of the case of Mrs. Rhodes, mother of nine children and wife of Private F. H. Rhodes, of the East Lancs Regiment, whose family allowance was reduced by 14s. a week after her husband had absented himself without leave. "I believe the regulation should be altered, if not eliminated," Captain Hall told the "Daily Mirror." "Punishment should fall on the man alone, and not on his wife and children."

### DR. GRADY IN INDIA

Dr. Henry Grady, President Roosevelt's special economic investigator in the Far East, is expected to arrive in Simla to-day.

It is understood that one of the main objects of his visit will be to discuss with the Indian Government the possibility of increasing supplies of certain Indian minerals to China.

Dr. Grady has already visited Singapore, the Philippines and the Dutch East Indies to study possible co-ordination of production and supplies of raw materials by the democratic powers of the Far East.—Reuter.

### CHINA CONFIDENT OF U.S.

"China is confident that the United States has no intention of making any arrangement at the expense of China, and that if any discussions are initiated affecting China and her rights, she will be fully consulted," said the Chinese Foreign Minister, Mr. Quo Tai-chi, yesterday, in commenting on the discussions between Washington and Tokyo.

Commenting on the report that the discussions were only exploratory, Mr. Quo Tai-chi said he thought it would be difficult to find a common basis of settlement.

Mr. Quo Tai-chi also referred to the Churchill-Roosevelt declaration and the principles of the Nine-Power Pact which China had accepted.

The American Ambassador, Mr. Clarence Gauss, called on Mr. Quo Tai-chi yesterday morning.—Reuter.

### HARRIMAN ARRIVES IN LONDON

WHEN MR. AVERELL HARRIMAN, HEAD OF THE UNITED STATES MISSION TO MOSCOW, ARRIVED IN LONDON BY AIR LAST NIGHT, HE WAS GREETED AT THE AERODROME BY THE FOREIGN SECRETARY, MR. ANTHONY EDEN.

The Minister of Supply, Lord Beaverbrook, the Under-Secretary for Air, Captain S. F. Balfour, the American Ambassador, Mr. J. G. Winant, the Russian Ambassador, M. Maisky, and the Russian Ambassador to Washington, M. Oumansky, together with many other prominent persons, were also present.

Mr. Harriman was accompanied by three members of the United States Mission, Admiral W. H. Standley, Major-General James Burns, and Mr. William Batt, of the United States Office of Production Management.—Reuter.

### SUMMER TIME IN EGYPT ENDED

Egyptian Summer Time ended last night. Clocks were put back an hour at midnight, says a Reuter message from Cairo.



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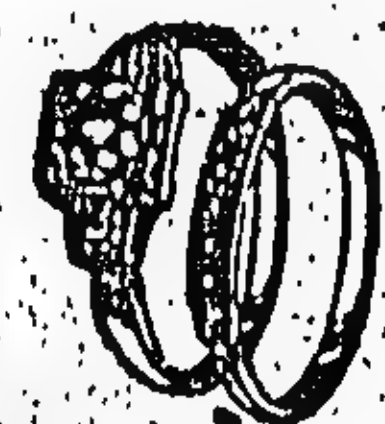
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# BIG AIR BATTLE ON EGYPTIAN FRONTIER

A BIG AIR BATTLE on the Egyptian Tripoli frontier is recorded in a communique from Royal Air Force Headquarters in Cairo yesterday.

The communique says "a strong force of South African bombers yesterday attacked and dispersed enemy motor transport and armoured fighting vehicles in the frontier area.

"A large number of bombs fell among the vehicles. Many direct hits were observed and fires of considerable dimensions broke out. The last formation of our attacking aircraft, with its fighter escort, was engaged by German and Italian fighters.

"In the ensuing air combats one Messerschmitt 109 and one Italian Cant 50 were destroyed, and others badly damaged. One Italian aircraft of the 'S 79' type was shot down in the frontier zone.

"During Saturday night R.A.F. bombers raided Tripoli, Benghazi and Barce. At Tripoli bombs were dropped on shipping in the harbour and on the Spanish Mole. Many bursts were observed on and near ships both in the harbour and alongside the quays.

## Blazing Furiously

"At Zuara, one large ship, believed to be part of the remnants of the convoy successfully attacked by the Fleet Air Arm and Royal Air Force in the Central Mediterranean, was seen blazing furiously, and the ship later exploded with great violence.

"At Benghazi, both the harbour and shipping were bombed, while at Barce oil storage tanks and buildings were destroyed.

"The aerodrome at Gerbini was bombed by the Fleet Air Arm during Saturday night. In addition to those already mentioned one other British aircraft is missing.

"The crew of one British aircraft, reported lost in the Mediterranean on September 12, have now been brought to safety." — Reuter.

## Later Statement

An additional communique issued from R.A.F. Headquarters last night in Cairo says:—

"Further details of yesterday's (Sunday) air operations over the frontier zone of the Western Desert show that in addition to the destruction of enemy aircraft mentioned in this afternoon's communique, two German aircraft of the Junkers 87 type were destroyed by anti-aircraft fire and another was compelled to make a forced landing, the crew being captured.

"The attack by our fighters on the Gambut landing ground was very successful, a number of enemy aircraft being severely damaged.

"Last night the attack on this landing ground was resumed by the Fleet Air Arm. Their bombing resulted in eight enemy aircraft being left in flames and some half dozen others damaged." — Reuter.

## THINK OF 1944, FARMERS ARE TOLD

Farmers have been asked by the Minister of Agriculture to think not only of the harvests of 1942 and 1943, but also of 1944.

If this year's excellent harvest prospects proved well founded and the harvest was gathered in good condition, British farmers would have produced more human food this year than they had ever done in pre-war days.

In the last two years four million acres were ploughed and the Ministry were asking for another two million acres this year.

"In view of the shipping position, I do not think these six million acres are sufficient and we must continue with the good work," he continued.

## GOEBBEL'S MACHINE

REVELATIONS ABOUT THE FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF THE AXIS NEWS AGENCIES ARE CONTAINED IN THE THIRD REPORT ISSUED IN BUENOS AIRES BY THE PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE WHICH IS INVESTIGATING ANTI-ARGENTINE ACTIVITIES.

The report shows that the Trans-Ocean News Agency, a German undertaking, and the Italian Euro-American undertaking have spent enormous sums in propaganda though the profits they made were negligible.

Between 1937 and 1940, the Trans-Ocean News Agency received one million pesos from Berlin while local receipts did not exceed 26,000 pesos.

In one month this news agency spent 20,000 pesos compared with local receipts of 6,000 pesos. — Reuter.

## SAYS HUSBAND BANNED DANCES

Dorothy Cecilia Binns, wife of Gunner Ivor Binns, R.A., told Carlisle magistrates that when he joined the Army her husband ordered her to send to him each week half her Army allowance of 25s. and bank the rest in his name.

"I continued in work as a shop assistant," said Mrs. Binns, who applied for a separation order. "My husband forbade me to go to dances or to cafes."

The magistrates adjourned the case for a month, told the wife to stick to her Army allowance, and ordered the husband not to molest her meanwhile.

## WAZIRISTAN QUIET

A message from Peshawar states that Waziristan has been exceptionally quiet during the past fortnight than it had ever been before. The Fakir of Ip is reported to be much worried over the continued misappropriation of funds by his lieutenants. — Reuter.

## LEASE AND LEND FIGURES

President Roosevelt has reported to Congress that the actual exports of American war supplies to nations fighting the Axis under the Lease and Lend programme, totalled U.S. \$190,447,670 up to August 31 last.

This figure represented expenditures for weapons and other supplies actually sent abroad. The President added, however, that defence articles transferred, including some still awaiting shipment, amounted to an additional \$35,946,701, while the various services, for example repairing of warships, an additional \$78,169,377.

Furthermore, expenditure for articles for services not yet finished amounted to approximately \$160,000,000, and the President calculated that "through the month of August, the total dollar value of defence articles transferred and defence services rendered, plus expenditures for other Lease and Lend purposes" amounted to about \$487,000,000.

President Roosevelt said that "planes, tanks, guns and ships, have begun to flow from our factories and yards, and the flow will be accelerated from day to day, until the stream becomes a river, and the river a torrent engulfing this totalitarian tyranny which seeks to dominate the world." — Reuter.

## MOSCOW HELD HIM PRISONER

Mr. Bruce Lockhart, it was announced in the House of Commons is to advise the Ministry of Information on foreign policy.

He was acting Consul-General in Moscow from 1915 to 1917. When the Bolshevik revolution broke out he was recalled. On being sent back in 1918 he was arrested and imprisoned in the Kremlin.

He was exchanged for M. Litvinov, who had been detained in England. He is 52.

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## NOTED JAPANESE COMMENTATOR URGES U.S. ENTENTE

TEIICHI MUTO, noted Japanese political commentator, is now waging a campaign in the "Hochi-Shimbun" in favour of a Japanese-American understanding and is urging moderation in Japanese opinion.

This campaign came as a complete surprise since the "Hochi-Shimbun," recently purchased by the "Yomiuri," had until now been the champion of a nationalist and pro-German policy, and that Mr. Muto himself, who has kept silent for the past year, had been considered one of the strongest supporters of Japanese opposition to the Anglo-Saxon powers.

## CHURCHILL WEEK IN WANSTEAD

Inaugurating "Churchill Week" in the Borough of Wanstead and Woodford which is part of the Prime Minister's constituency, the Mayor, Mr. R. B. Fidler, expressed the hope the Week would mark the beginning of a national movement.

The aim of the special effort is to reach the two million pounds mark in national savings in the Borough before the end of this year.

Sir James Hawkey, former Mayor announced a promise of £100,000 from Sir Edward Wilshaw, on behalf of Cable and Wireless Ltd., as an expression of appreciation of the Prime Minister.

A message from Mr. Churchill congratulated the inhabitants on having already raised one and a half million pounds since the start of the local savings campaign.—British Wireless.

In an article entitled "It Will Take a Hundred Years to Build Up East Asia", Mr. Muto lengthily explained that a country, in the course of its expansion, must be able to halt in order to take a breath at the right time and must understand that intermittent truces in its advance constitute the best means of resuming its march forward later.

## Open Letter To Chiang

"After the Sino-Japanese war last century Japan demanded the cession of Kwangtung but met with opposition from a Franco-Russian German coalition," Mr. Muto recalled. "If we had decided to go to war against these three powers to obtain what we wanted what would have happened? Exhausted by the war, we would have been defeated."

A country must know how to yield once provided that at the same time it redoubles its courage and prepares for the fulfilment of great tasks later. It was thus that after having shown patience we were able to create Manchoukuo.

It was thus for Manchoukuo, which is rather small, to think that the construction of a new Asia can be accomplished in one stroke is childish. I assert with conviction that if we exert our best efforts and work as best we can it will take us at least a hundred years to complete this grandiose task."

In another article, Mr. Muto addressed an open letter to Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek in which he informed the latter that it was "not too late for you to reconsider your attitude." He went on at length to explain that Japan was really Asia's bulwark against western imperialism. He said that a direct agreement between General Chiang and Premier Prince Aiyamaro Konoye would, in his opinion, be the best way to solve the China affair, and would prove of equal benefit to both countries.

## N.E.I. Question

In yet another article, Mr. Muto described his visit to Hokkaido and expressed great surprise at discovering that the island in question had only a population of some 3,500,000 or less than that of Tokyo itself.

"For all our talk of the Netherlands East Indies, we cannot hope to establish there in the next century more than some 200,000 Japanese, and on condition, of course, that we advance in that area," he said.

Mr. Muto thus hinted that Japan must realise that she can engage in expansion without going out of the Japanese Isles and that she has in the Empire itself an outlet for her surplus population.

## ROBBERY CHARGE

Mak Kam-tai, 22, unemployed, was charged before Mr. D. J. N. Anderson at the Central Magistrate's Court this morning with robbing two Chinese in Wongneichung Road on July 28 and with impersonating a Police Officer in Shing Wo Road the same day.

It was alleged that accused, with two other men not in custody, robbed Wong Tsin-ching, printer, of \$9.40, and \$12.80 from Wong Yun.

Accused was remanded for 72 hours.

## HEAVY RAIN IN LAHORE

A Reuter's message from Lahore states that widespread heavy rainfall occurred in Central and Northern Punjab for the last three days.

## PUSH A NEEDLE INTO HIS OWN HEART

A "star" prisoner, noted for his cheerfulness, was the description applied at a Wandsworth gaol inquest to William Johnson (alias Wayne), 24, who hanged himself in his cell with a strip torn from his bed sheet.

He had pushed a mail bag needle into his heart, but he died by hanging.

Johnson was serving four months' hard labour for larceny. He was due for discharge on August 24.

## CHINA AND TOKYO DECISION

The creation of the National Defence General Headquarters announced in Tokyo by the War Office recently has no direct bearing on the China war; otherwise it would have been created after the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, observed the Chinese military spokesman at a Press Conference in Chungking yesterday.

Created at a time when the Washington conversations were progressing, the spokesman said Tokyo may want to create the impression that Japan is determined to fight the United States if necessary, thereby hoping to extract more favourable terms from America. — Central News.

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Rumplestiltskin Up-to-Date is a middle-aged man. He goes round Leeds from door to door asking if the housewife has anything which needs repairing. For a copper or two he will mend tears and rips, put in patches and even "run up" a simple frock or overall.

But, like the fairy tale Rumplestiltskin, he will not tell anyone who he is or where he lives. "He is a very quiet and kindly sort of man, well dressed and polite," a housewife told the reporter.

"He did some really beautiful work for me."

## INDIAN ARMY GRANTS

Thirty-two families in Lahore have received maintenance grants for widows and children, and two families have received lump sums for the marriages of their daughters from the Army Benevolent Fund which was created to alleviate hardships on the dependents of Viceroy's commissioned and Indian warrant officers.

The Fund was started with a grant of 25,000 rupees annually by the Viceroy from the War Fund. — Reuter.

## COMMISSIONS IN INDIAN ARMY

The Central Interview Board, which commenced its session on September 1, at Simla, is expected to interview about 700 candidates for emergency commissions.

Up to now the standard of the candidates coming forward has been such as to enable the Board to select 70 per cent. of those interviewed. — Reuter.

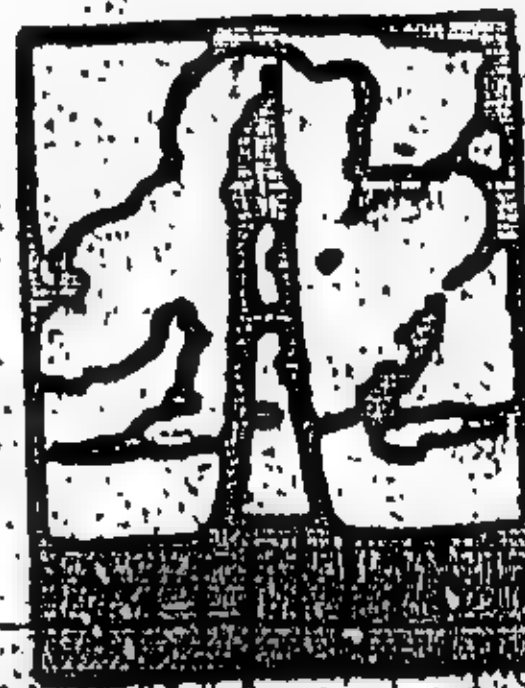
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## JAPAN'S INTEREST IN SIBERIA

Anonymous "authoritative circles" in London continue to be interested in Japanese troop movements in Korea and Manchuria. The suspicion is again expressed that Hitler wants Japan to make trouble for Stalin in eastern Siberia, presumably to prevent the shifting of any great part of the Far Eastern Red Army to the western battlefront.

It must be admitted that this is a likelier possibility now than it was a few weeks ago. When Hitler launched his attack on the Soviet Union he was much too confident of a swift and overwhelming victory to care how the Red forces in remotest Siberia were kept busy.

Now some units of Russia's Far Eastern force are already on their way to Europe, and the German drive into Russia is far behind schedule; so it is possible that Hitler might welcome Japanese manoeuvring in Manchuria that would prevent a wholesale Russian withdrawal westward. We still doubt, however, that Hitler would care to see Japan so deeply and perhaps ineffectually involved with an alliance of Chinese, Mongols and Russians that all ventures elsewhere would have to be abandoned and most of the United States fleet could be moved into the Atlantic.

When one is trying to figure out what Japan is up to, moreover, the most exact knowledge of what Hitler wanted of Japan would be no sure clue to Japan's course. Collaboration with the Axis partners is still a motivating force in Tokyo, but there is every reason to believe that Matsuoka was unsent to make sure that Japan's obligations to the Axis were consistently rated second to her duty to herself. When Hitler wants her to stick her head in a steel trap, if she sees a way of filching the bait she is not going to spring the trap with her nose to please Hitler, whether in the Dutch Indies or in Red Siberia.

One very logical reason for the reinforcement of all Japanese garrisons in northern Korea and Manchuria must be the clear memory of the turmoil in Asiatic Russia and adjacent Mongolia that followed upon the collapse of the Czarist regime. All senior Japanese officers will also remember how the confusion of that era enabled Japan to set up a puppet Russian government in Vladivostok and to control the maritime province. It is well to be on hand if such opportunities arise again.

Japan cannot be confident, however, that an attack launched on the Far Eastern Red Army now would result in easy victory, after her experience at Changkufeng three years ago. The enemy would not carefully localize the fighting as Moscow did in 1938. The Mongols, whose striking power she sampled in 1939, would certainly strike with great weight on her flank. The Chinese would rise behind her. The Koreans and Manchurians would delight in wrecking her communications. If she hopes for a chance to meddle in Siberian affairs she must hope for heavy Red withdrawals from east to west, so it is not even to her interests now to display a hostility that would hold substantial Red forces in the Far East.

The only consideration that might make Japan desperately anxious to get Vladivostok and therefore ready to take foolish chances would be the fear that American shipments to that port would lead to American participation in its defence, and give American bombers a base from which Japan's fisheries could be denied her and her combustible cities destroyed. This is not an imminent risk, however, so we still doubt that any rash Japanese adventure in the north is imminent.



OUT OF HIS ELEMENT

## Truth About Russia

EVERYBODY is asking whether Russia can hold out against the German attack. Nobody can answer this question with any confidence. To do so demands an expert knowledge of the Russian military machine which no outsider possesses.

The best one can do is to estimate the potential resources of the country for waging war. My informant, a distinguished diplomat who has recently returned from Moscow, had unrivalled opportunities of studying Russia from within.

The Russian people are faced to-day with the necessity of fighting for their independence, for the land they have striven so hard to cultivate and for their very lives. They are certainly fully determined to do so. Germany once ruled Russia for 150 years with all the brutality for which the Prussians are notorious. Since then Germany has always been regarded in Russia as the arch-enemy.

The Russians hate the German desire for world domination, they hate the German character, German methods and, equally, German political leadership. Propaganda in Russia against the Germans was not officially suppressed even after the Pact of August, 1939, until the beginning of 1940. The Russian Government then abstained from abusing the Nazis but made no effort to introduce active propaganda in Germany's favour.

However, propaganda against Germany had never been needed to turn the Russian mind against Germany; this was already achieved.

Russia's people to-day are for the most part highly patriotic and united and they have full confidence in the Red Army. During and after the purge and executions of 1937 it was obvious to everyone living in Russia that a serious situation had arisen, but, looking back to-day, one must admit the efficiency of the OGPU. Russia's secret police were the first to discover the potential menace of a Fifth Column and the danger presented by a growing Quisling party which was keeping in close touch with Germany. In 1937 the Nazi leaders were hoping very definitely for revolution in Russia and the overthrow of Stalin, who would have been replaced by a regime with pro-German sympathies.

In the event the Fifth Column was effectively wiped out. The executions made a great impression on the Russian people, but a nation which has to work hard for its daily bread forgets quickly; minds soon become absorbed again by the problems of everyday life. So the episode was surprisingly quickly over and forgotten. To-day there seems to be no danger

of a Fifth Column in Russia, especially in high political circles. There may be German agents about, but they are not a present danger.

Russia has about 8,000,000 men mobilised and has now called to the Colours the age groups between 24 and 36 years, representing about another 10,000,000 men. The age limit of 36 covers more or less all those who have received a thorough Communist education, and the groups can be regarded, therefore, as fully reliable from a national point of view.

By  
O.H. Brandon

Some over this age, especially those a good deal older, have not been able to adapt themselves so easily to the new regime, but in Russia the attitude of youth is decisive.

Timoshenko is the imaginative type of strategist; how well qualified as a great commander in the field will be shown in the very near future. He is a man of action and a realist, and he has capable staff officers around him.

Opinion is divided on the efficiency of the rest of the officer corps, but the last war showed that the Russians are capable of producing leaders on the field. Although there is no class difference in the Russian army between officers and men, discipline is now strict and well maintained. Weaknesses revealed by the campaign in Finland have been in some measure removed.

Russia is estimated to have the same number of shock-troops as the Germans, and her parachute troops are highly trained and numerous.

Ever since the early days of the first Five Year Plan Russia's civilians have been prepared for war. About 20,000,000 people, known as the Osoviachin, have passed a preliminary military training. This vast army behind the lines can be compared to the Home Guard in England.

The army has been busily building defence lines in depth along the original, pre-war frontiers, but details have always been kept secret. It is certain, however, that no one in Russia has the "Maginot Line mentality." One great advantage Russia is believed to possess is the mobility of its army.

It is highly motorised, and to that extent prepared to move over vast distances of Russian territory. In case Germany manages to

occupy the rich Ukraine, its loss would not spell the end of the war for Russia. The same applies to the industrial areas of Leningrad or Moscow. There are other important centres stretching eastwards behind the Urals.

### Preparedness

Unlike Germany, Russia is self-sufficient in most of the vital raw materials—notably in oil, which comes from the Baku fields, the Grozny oil centre in the northern Caucasus and the newly-built refineries on the southern slopes of the Urals. Her armament industries have been steadily developed over recent years.

Kaganovits, the Commissar for heavy industry, used to say that the Russian would rather be prepared for war at the cost of going barefoot than make the mistake of the democracies in not preparing.

The Russians have always been receptive of foreign methods, and their own research laboratories are known to be very elaborate. While German engineers were among the first to get Russian industry going it cannot be said that it is dependent on German assistance now. Recently the remaining foreign experts in the country have been chiefly Americans.

Of Russia's great army of skilled workers, the majority to-day are women. Russia's people have always been modest in their requirements, and war-time restriction on consumption will not make serious new difficulties for them. Food reserves have been stored for the last three years and, though some part of the harvests have been delivered to Germany, reserves should prove to be substantial. What was supplied to Germany has been restricted with a prudent eye on the country's own needs.

In the last few years food supplies have been specially developed.

### Promise Of Aid

Assurances from Britain and the United States of active help must have morally strengthened the country. The Russians themselves feel no hostility towards the British people and collaboration at this juncture will be welcomed.

In what way can Britain help most effectively at the moment?

By continued pounding of Germany from the air, by vigorous offensive action in Libya and Syria and encouragement to Finland to refrain from active participation in the war.

If Russia can hold up the initial German onslaught and remain standing after the first tidal wave has broken over her, it may be that once again the invader will find himself engulfed.

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**America's Lease  
And Lend Aid****PRESIDENT Roosevelt's reports to Congress regarding the operations under the Lease and Lend Act show that while the bulk of assistance has gone to Britain, about 12 nations have received help.**

The list includes China, Poland, Greece, Yugoslavia, Norway, Belgium and the Netherlands, including the Netherlands East Indies, Brazil, and the Dominican Republic.

Declaring this aid was not a matter of charity or sympathy, President Roosevelt said, "We offer it because we know that piecemeal resistance to aggression is doomed to failure, because the ruthless war machine that now bestrides the continent of Europe can be combatted only by the combined efforts of all free peoples and at all strategic points where the aggressor may strike."

President Roosevelt said America must offer "not only the shield but also the sword," tools for the final total victory to "those people who are gallantly shedding their blood in the front lines of this struggle."

**Vast Sum Allocated**

President Roosevelt said the people of the United States "know we cannot live in a world dominated by Hitlerism." Of the appropriation of \$7,000,000,000 the sum of \$6,281,000,000 had been allocated.

Actual transfers to foreign governments are placed at approximately \$246,000,000 as compared with \$75,000,000 which the President reported to Congress on May 31. Therefore, the transfers during the past three months amounted to about \$171,000,000.

The report said that 89 per cent of \$190,000,000 defence exports were made in the past three months. This demonstrates, says the report, that Lease and Lend goods being transported were being absorbed by shipping almost as rapidly as they are being made available.

**Empire Purchases**

Including supplies which Britain financed herself, the British Empire actually obtained about \$4,400,000,000 in goods since the war began, President Roosevelt reported.

He asserted, however, that the "rate of our production must be accelerated and every step to achieve that end must and will be taken."

Although Russia has been paying for war supplies and received no Lease and Lend help, President Roosevelt paid a compliment to the "gallant resistance of the Russian people," which he said had been an enormous help to all peoples resisting the Nazi war machine.

**Aid To Russia**

President Roosevelt said that the energies of the American Government were making available to Russia urgent y needed supplies and the report disclosed that some Lease and Lend funds had been utilised to build naval and military bases for Britain.

Administration officials declined to disclose the whereabouts of these bases, but the amount of aid for them was about \$12,000,000.

President Roosevelt, reporting details of the materials involved, said that contracts had been placed and work started on nearly a billion dollars worth of bombers. He said aircraft and aeronautical materials accounted for over one-third of the total contracts under the current Lease and Lend programme.

The report showed that the United States supplied a fleet of trucks to China as well as freighters to carry war supplies and paving materials for repairing the Burma Road.—Reuter.

**ALEXANDRIA RAID**

Two people were slightly injured and slight damage was caused to property in an air raid on Alexandria yesterday morning. Alarms were also sounded in some of the Delta provinces.—Reuter.

**GREEKS  
FETE WAR  
CAPTIVES**("Daily Telegraph"  
Special Correspondent)

Despite frequent and severe penalties, the Greeks, I learn, continue to show their pro-British sentiments as wholeheartedly as two months ago.

Thus on the arrival of British prisoners from Crete recently, the people of Athens lined the streets applauding the prisoners and throwing flowers and cigarettes to them.

Again when a British plane crashed near Athens and the crew were killed Athenians flocked to the place and formed a silent guard of honour.

Then, despite German vigilance, further assaults are being made on the swastika flag flying on the Acropolis. Mud and refuse are slung at it by young men who climbed up secretly at night.

**Will Not Yield**

A certain number of Greeks continue to get away from their country, and they come to Cairo in a steady trickle. All reliable reports which they bring confirm the impression formed before the German conquest that the occupation of Greece would form a liability rather than an asset to the Axis.

The population show not the slightest inclination to yield either to threats or blandishments. Meanwhile the food situation becomes ever more desperate. These two facts are the outstanding characteristics of life in Greece to-day.

The Germans and Italians buy up all the meat available in the stores, and vegetables are practically the only food available to the population. Bread supplies are extremely short.

It is said that the Germans have begun to use forced labour on a scheme for widening the Corinth Canal to enable it to take warships of the largest size, but this report lacks trustworthy confirmation.

**SWEDISH PRESS  
FLAYS QUISLING'S  
SPEECH**

The declaration made by Major Quisling, the Norwegian Prime Minister, cautioning Swedes not to abstain from joining the new European order, has been bitterly criticised by the Swedish press.

Stockholm papers deny Major Quisling the right of speaking on behalf of the Scandinavian countries in general and Sweden in particular when the question of the future organisation of Europe is discussed.

Furthermore the Swedish public opinion, as voiced by the press, refuses to recognise the new European order. Major Quisling's pretence to include into the Norwegian vital space the Swedish provinces of Bohuslan, Dantland and Harjedalen.—Reuter.

**FORTUNE TELLER  
HELD UP VITAL  
WAR WORK**

A woman Fifth columnist, acting as a fortune-teller, has been arrested at Toledo, Ohio, for disrupting production in one of the city's most vital war industries.

Hundreds of women and girl employees of a big metal works were advised when they consulted her to "go slow between 2.30 and 3.30 every afternoon, because at that time you are in danger of death or accident."

As a result production in the metal works slumped badly between these hours every day.

**Shape Of  
Things  
To Come**

Describing them as a prelude of things to come, the Moscow Radio yesterday mentioned Hitler's enormous tank losses on the Eastern front.

"The German tanks were Goebbels' trump card in his myth about German invincibility," the announcer said.

"In time of war against a weak and isolated adversary of the west, this argument carried some weight but it has fallen through deplorably in the campaign against the U.S.S.R."

"During the first week of the war, German tank forces sustained losses which it is possible to replace. After three weeks' war, however, Hitler lost 12 tank divisions, and after two months' of war 8,000 tanks in all."

"These figures are too palpable for Goebbels' foolish swaggering out of stories of victories of German armies in the East to stand the test."

"But these figures are far from final. They but the prelude of things yet to come."—Reuter.

**COLONIAL RECRUITS  
TO R.A.F.**

A party of 20 Mauritians and four Jamaicans who arrived in Britain recently to join the R.A.F. were received by Lord Moyne, Colonial Secretary, with the recruits from British Honduras whose arrival was announced on Saturday.—British Wireless.

**ATTACK ON FRISIAN  
ISLANDS CONVOY**

British planes attacked an escorted enemy convoy off the Frisian Islands yesterday afternoon leaving one ship sinking and another hit and damaged.—Reuter.



# FURIOUS BATTLES ALONG DNEIPEP

(By Reuter's Correspondent in Moscow)

**THE LOSS OF KREMENCHUG BY THE SOVIET TROOPS MEANS THAT THE GERMANS HAVE AT LEAST AT ONE POINT, MADE A CROSSING OF THE DNEIPEP.**

The Soviet Command will naturally look on the event as they have done in other cases, namely in terms of the great effort and expenditure of material which it has cost the enemy to gain this advance.

It is now three weeks since the Germans reached Dnieper and battle for each attempted crossing place has been a furious battle between artillery and dive-bombers on both sides.

## Britain's Oldest Man Dies

Britain's oldest man, Mr. Alfred Charles Nunez Arnold, died yesterday, aged 112 years, at the Liverpool convalescent home at Woolton.

He was a keen student of yoga and attributed his long life and good health to the study of yoga and "moderation in all things."

Mr. Arnold who was left an orphan at an early age, was brought up by an uncle in London. He was first destined to be an operatic singer, a contemporary of Jenny Lind.

He then took up journalism, touring the world and working for many newspapers.

He was war correspondent in three wars, and found himself in many tight corners. He spoke German, Dutch, Spanish and Portuguese and was occasionally heard on the B.B.C. He was presented with two cigars by King Edward VII when he was Prince of Wales, had coffee with Disraeli, and tea with Charles Dickens.

Mr. Arnold, until recently, was living in St. Pancras Hospital in London, but was evacuated to Liverpool during the Battle of London. He celebrated his 112th birthday two months ago.—Reuter.

## NEUTRALITY ACT REVISION DISCUSSED

MR. RAYBURN, SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, STATED AT A PRESS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON YESTERDAY THAT REVISION OF THE NEUTRALITY ACT WAS DISCUSSED BY LEADERS IN THE LEGISLATURE AT A CONFERENCE WITH PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT AT THE WHITE HOUSE YESTERDAY, BUT NO CONCLUSIONS WERE REACHED.

Senator Rayburn did not disclose details of the discussion but answering a question said: "There has been a lot of talk about it." He declared that President Roosevelt would send a message to Congress on Thursday on the subject of new Lease and Lend appropriations which informed sources said would amount to about \$6,000,000,000.

The Neutrality Law among other things forbids the arming of merchantmen engaged in commerce with any foreign countries after the President has proclaimed that a state of war exists between these nations.—Reuter.

German artillery and dive bombers have been striving to silence the Soviet guns and create a relatively safe area in which bridgeheads could be established and held.

Above Kremenchug, the banks of the Dnieper are fairly steep and very picturesque, while below the town the scenery becomes less interesting.

The town itself has no special architectural features. It is more important as an industrial centre, having a number of flour mills, tobacco factories and various other smaller industries, depending on the rich agricultural land which stretches away on all sides.

### Town Wrecked

After so many days of battling for the town in which the Soviet troops had ample time to wreck any plant of value to the Germans, its loss can safely be considered as meaning no immediate gain to the enemy except from a strategic standpoint.

Kremenchug is a railway centre from which two lines run, the first to Poltava, 65 miles to the north-east, and to Kharkov, and the second to Bakhmach and Briansk.

Soviet troops are fighting a dogged action to prevent the Germans following up their seizure of Kremenchug by any further advance which would aim at a development of a pincer movement through Charnigov and Kremenchug and directed towards the valuable prize of Kharkov.—Reuter.

## MOSCOW'S AIR DEFENCES

THE FEW GERMAN 'planes which have thus far managed to break through Moscow's outer defences have been greeted by a barrage such as Berlin rarely managed to send up, said Mr. Dennis McAvoy, Columbia Broadcasting System Correspondent, in a radio talk from Moscow yesterday.

He added: "The traveller from other wartime capitals is amazed by the lack of damage here for only a careful search reveals where any German bombs have fallen.

"Night fighters have accounted for many of the Nazi losses thus far and daily the defences of Moscow are growing stronger. German raids have thus far been ineffectual and the long promised air blitzkreig appears to have been indefinitely postponed.

"There is only ceaseless labour born of the determination to protect the lives and the physical appearance of Moscow and to defend its ground to the last.

"Every large apartment house or group of smaller houses has a commandant or manager and when the siren sounds announcing a German raid all able-bodied men in the building without exception must report for duty.

## "JUST A SHAVE" IS OFF

"No shaving" notices have appeared on barber shops in some Kent towns. Shaving without a haircut does not pay.

"I have been asked for only six shaves this week," said a barber at Bexley.

"All the young men are in the Forces. The older men shave themselves.

"We can't afford to pay for the hot water needed for the few shaves ordered without haircutting or shampoo.

## FRENCHMEN'S ADVENTURES

Two French sergeants who seized a German plane on a guarded airfield in Occupied France and flew to Hampshire, are now training at a camp in the South of England with members of the Free French Air Force.

They flew to the French coast, managed to seize a fishing boat and, although one had never seen the sea before, sailed to England. They were picked up near Plymouth.

Other recruits to the Free French Air Force have arrived from Tahiti, Saigon, Morocco, Dakar and Martinique.—British Wireless.

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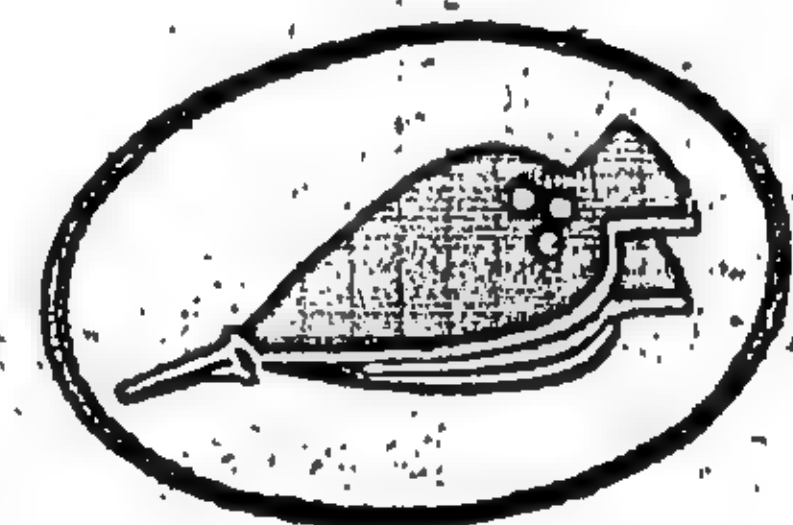
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### Assigned To Roof

"Most of them are assigned to roofs and specially treated gauntlets and hoods are distributed to them along with tongs to pick up incendiary bombs.

"For more than 10 years there has been a special newspaper in Moscow devoted to features and articles on air raid precautions. It is published by a society called the Anti-Air Raid and Poison Gas Society. For years the public have been treated to a systematic campaign of instruction in the arts of disposing of fire bombs, decontamination, wearing gas masks and first-aid technique.—Reuter.



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## BRIDGE NOTES

### THE SAFE CONTRACT By The Four Aces

"Please tell us," writes a Chicago fan, "how we could have avoided trouble on this hand:

North, Dealer  
Both sides vulnerable

NORTH  
♠ A Q J 7 2  
♥ A J 3  
♦ 7 5  
♣ 10 9 5

WEST  
♠ 8 4 3  
♥ 8 5 2  
♦ A Q 9 6 3  
♣ 6 2

EAST  
♠ 10 6 5  
♥ K Q 7 4  
♦ K J 8  
♣ 8 4 3

SOUTH  
♠ K 9  
♥ 10 9 6  
♦ 10 4 2  
♣ A K Q J 7

The bidding:  
North East South West  
1♠ Pass 2♠ Pass  
2♥ Pass 2NT Pass  
3NT Pass Pass Pass

"West opened a diamond, and the opponents rattled off the first five tricks. After that we had tricks to burn. North acidly observed that four spades was ice-cold. But didn't see how he could raise spades with only two trumps. What do you think?"

We cast one hearty vote for North. Four spades was indeed ice-cold and three no-trump couldn't be made. We don't believe in judging entirely by results, but they certainly should be taken into account. Perhaps the best way to judge the situation is to consider South's bidding problem on the second round.

Certainly, South has to make a strong bid at that point. He has as good as an opening bid in his own hand, and his partner has opened the bidding. He must therefore make every effort to reach a game contract. But what game contract?

Game at clubs is rather remote, since it requires eleven tricks. Game at no-trump should seem even more doubtful to the South player — since he hasn't the vestige of a stopper in either of the unbid suits. If anybody is to initiate no-trump bidding it must be North; South must not bid so as to indicate stoppers in the red suits when he doesn't actually hold those stoppers. But North has bid and rebid spades, and two strong trumps are sufficient support for a rebid-suit. Therefore South should bid three spades at this point. If North then bids three notrump, South will be satisfied. As it happens, North's best bid would then be four spades — a makeable contract.

Yesterday you were Howard Schenken's partner and, with neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ Q 10 7 5  
♥ 8  
♦ K J 5 2  
♣ Q 9 4 3

The bidding:

Schenken Jacoby You Major  
1♠ 2♥ 2♠ 3♥  
Pass Pass (7)

ANSWER: Pass. It's true that you have a trifle more strength than your partner knows about, but letting sleeping dogs lie is a good policy. Evidently our partner has a near-minimum opening bid, since he could not bid over three hearts. You have little defensive strength against a heart contract, and should therefore fear that further bidding by you would "push" the enemy into a makeable game contract; or that you would have to "Sacrifice" at four spades.

Score 100% for pass, 40% for three spades.

### Question No. 822

To-day you hold the same hand, but the bidding is different:

Schenken Jacoby You Major  
1♠ 2♥ 2♠ 3♥  
1♠ 5♥ (7)

What do you bid? (Answer to-morrow.)

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

## ABBNEY SERMON BY PILOT

A young squadron leader of the Fighter Command stood in the pulpit of Westminster Abbey at the Empire Day Youth Service, looking down on schoolgirls, Boy Scouts and young members of all the Services.

In previous years the Abbey has been thronged at this service, but this time the congregation numbered only about a hundred.

In a clear voice the pilot, speaking from Cranmer's pulpit, warned them against letting their enthusiasm flag. "The young pilot flies a Spitfire for the first time and is thrilled," he said. "Then, during periods of inaction, boredom is apt to set in.

"We must seek the energy which will fit us to remake society and make a Christian peace through prayer.

### Call For Heroism

"This task of remaking society will call for as much heroism as the fighting in the battlefields, on land and sea, and in the air. We are in at the death of the old world. Let us pray that we may be in at the resurrection of a new."

Boys of the 16th Westminster Brigade of Scouts coming out of the Abbey said that the pilot had expressed exactly their own feelings.

The service, which was broadcast to the Empire, was arranged by the Dean of Westminster, Dr. de Labilliere, and the English-Speaking Union.

Victor Hayward Hall, a 17-year-old secondary schoolboy, sent a call to prayer to "young men and women in lands afar who are our comrades in the cause of truth and freedom."

### Contrast In Empires

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Lang, preaching at the Chapel Royal, St. James's, said that the British Empire had grown and evolved, bound together by the spirit of liberty, and the conduct in this war of all the peoples, including the native peoples of the Commonwealth, showed they found the Empire beneficent.

Hitler's empire was a wholly different conception of empire. The Reich of the ambitions, purposes and dreams of the ruler of Germany, repudiated all the ideals of the British Commonwealth.

## DECISIVE STRUGGLE NOW BEING FOUGHT IN TURKEY

"A decisive struggle is now being fought in Turkey, between Anglo-Saxon and Axis diplomacy," the Ankara correspondent of the "Basler National Zeitung" states.

"The outcome of this struggle may well decide the fate of Turkey," he added.

In his opinion, the Anglo-Saxon powers now have the advantage, following the energetic action in Iran.

In Ankara, the British Ambassador, Sir Hugh Knatchbull-Hugessen, is being supported in his action by the American representative in Turkey, who is said to have informed the Foreign Ministry that his Government fully approved the Anglo-Soviet action in Iran.

The considerable diplomatic activity being displayed in Ankara, the military operations on the Russian front, and the aggression against Iran, are considered by the Basle press as just as many symptoms of the growing tension in Turkey and the Near East.

The correspondent of the "Basler National Zeitung" referred to the "unconfirmed reports of the departure of Baron Franz von Papen, German Ambassador to Turkey, for Germany to meet Chancellor Adolf Hitler at his Field Headquarters in Ukraine. A plan may be drafted at the meeting to counterbalance the Anglo-Soviet action in Iran.

The strengthening of German contingents in Bulgaria might result in "increasing pressure upon Turkey," he said.

In this connection, the same correspondent points out that during the past few days an argument was started over the air between Turkish and Bulgarian radio stations, and official quarters in Ankara have confirmed that this argument has brought about a tension between the two countries.

The correspondent believes, however, that a German-Bulgarian military action against Turkey is not likely.

## BRUISES AND BUMPS

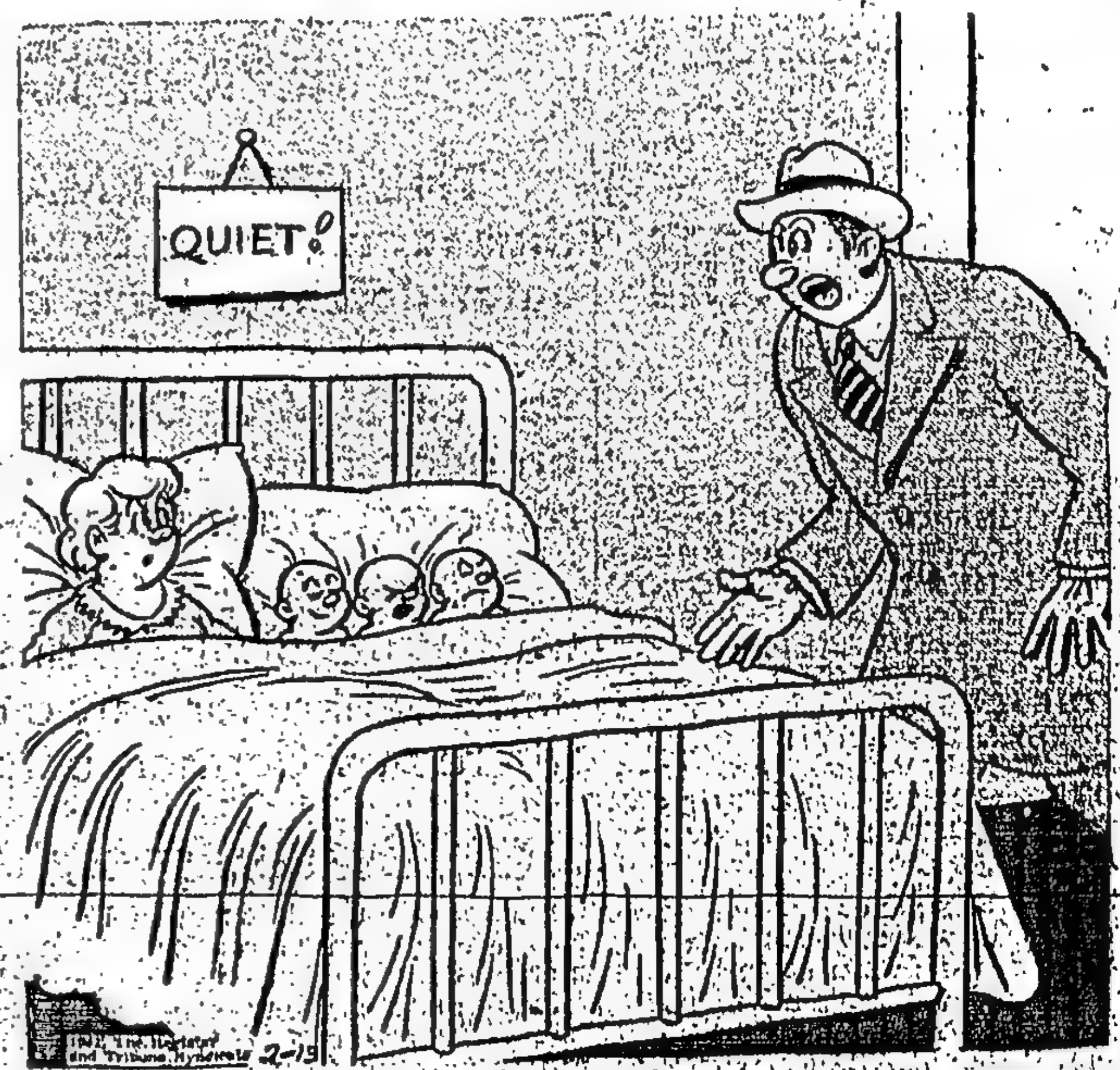
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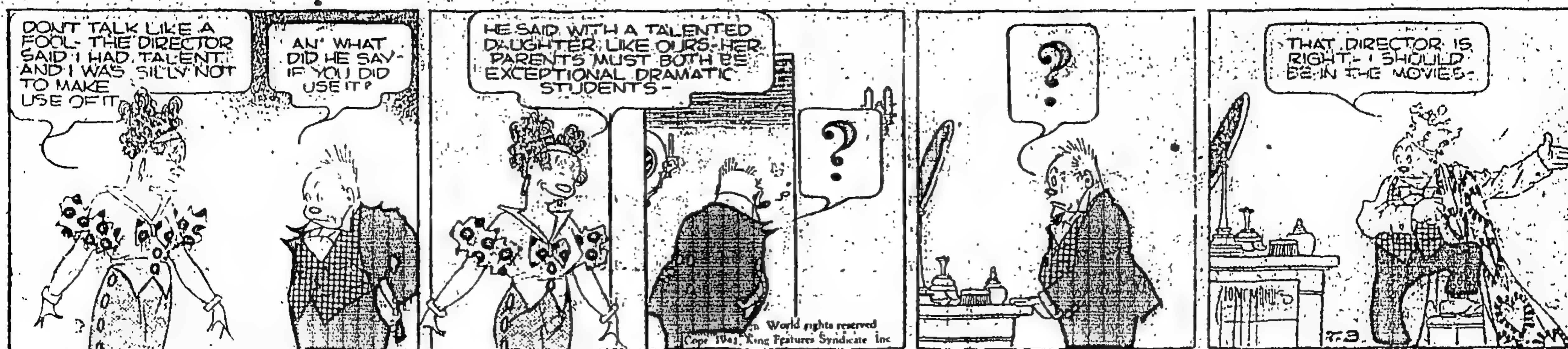
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## Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



## A PAGE FOR WOMEN

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There is no denying the fact that a row of efficacious beauty aids inspires one to more careful grooming. For what woman can resist opening a beautiful bottle or jar and testing the content?

For instance, what young lady who travels with that new alligator handbag containing especially blended face powder, lipstick, rouge and cleansing cream, could descend from a train or plane looking anything but ravishing? For it is such a simple chore to cleanse one's face of travel-wear just before the trip ends, and to apply becoming fresh make-up, if the aids are right there in one's handbag! And swank as anything the young lovely carries her beauty secret under her arm in the smartest disguises.

Then, there is that liquid deodorant fragrant with the geranium—the most heavenly of floral scents. What woman could resist pouring a few drops of that essential beauty aid into the palm of her hand, after her shower, and applying it where most needed? To be fresh and sweet is one thing, but to be assured of your sweetness and still smell like a lovely geranium is indeed something few women can resist! A two-ounce bottle, which is not the least expensive, would last the rest of the summer.

### Your Foundation Problem

We know that summer make-up must be light and inconspicuous (as should make-up be the year 'round), and that the primary step in attaining that art, is to select the most perfect foundation base attainable in a shade to match one's current skin tone. Offered to us, (in the hopes that we will love it so much we will buy its companion make-up aids) is a lotion so translucent that it imparts a nice glow to the skin without seeming to cover it. There are several shades, but right now most of you will be interested in the darker one to complement that lovely tan. If you are a fussy-budget (which every beauty should be) you can get a powder that is the perfect counter-part for your favourite lipstick and rouge. All aids are endorsed by a firm which puts out only the finest and puts them out in the prettiest of dressings.

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## The Bride's Scrapbook

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The kitchen is, after all, the workshop of the home. That means it must be efficient.

But that's no reason why it should be drab, too. Brightness and colour—those are the words that should rule your kitchen.

An all-white or cream kitchen is a businesslike, gleaming, glistening affair but we like the whiteness set off by red, blue, green or yellow.

\* Red—think of geraniums standing on the window sill—is a particularly cheerful shade.

If you can, have a loudspeaker—an extension from the set in your living room—in the kitchen. You'll find you can make good use of the household information, the recipes and suggestions.

Many housewives plan their vegetable cleaning chores to coincide with favourite household programmes, and find that while they absorb household education, the vegetable cleaning task doesn't seem nearly so dull.

If you want to be really efficient, of course, you'll have a card index to take care of filed recipes and hints.

Keep handy a pad and pencil, too. Jot down shortages on the pantry shelf as they occur, and there'll be nothing important forgotten when the grocery order is made up.

There are lots of ways to beautify a kitchen. One girl we know cut out of

coloured magazine advertisements all the bright pictures of china, casserole dishes and saucepans that she could find.

She used them to make a top-of-the-wall frieze and then varnished it.

She receives constant compliments on her clever kitchen decoration, and it cost practically nothing.

## STOP AND THINK

Do you cheat yourself out of friendship, by making no effort to take part in the conversation?

Shyness need not prevent you making some remark, however commonplace, just to show that you are not trying to freeze out your companion intentionally.

Do you cheat yourself out of new experiences by clinging to customs that you have outgrown mentally?

If routine becomes the master instead of the servant of our lives, it causes restlessness and frustration.

Do you cheat yourself out of intelligent companionship by talking for too long about too little?

If nerves make you chatter, try attending more closely to the conversation of others, and making only remarks which have a bearing on the subject in hand.

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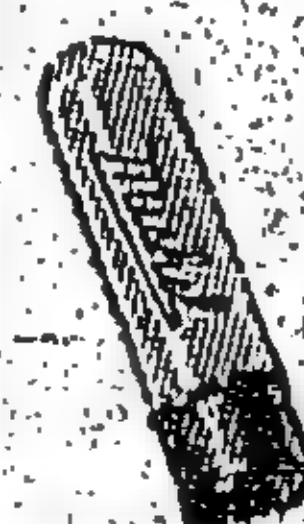
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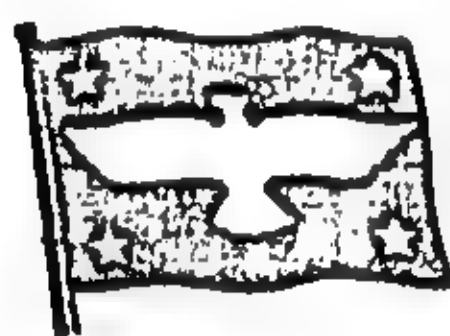
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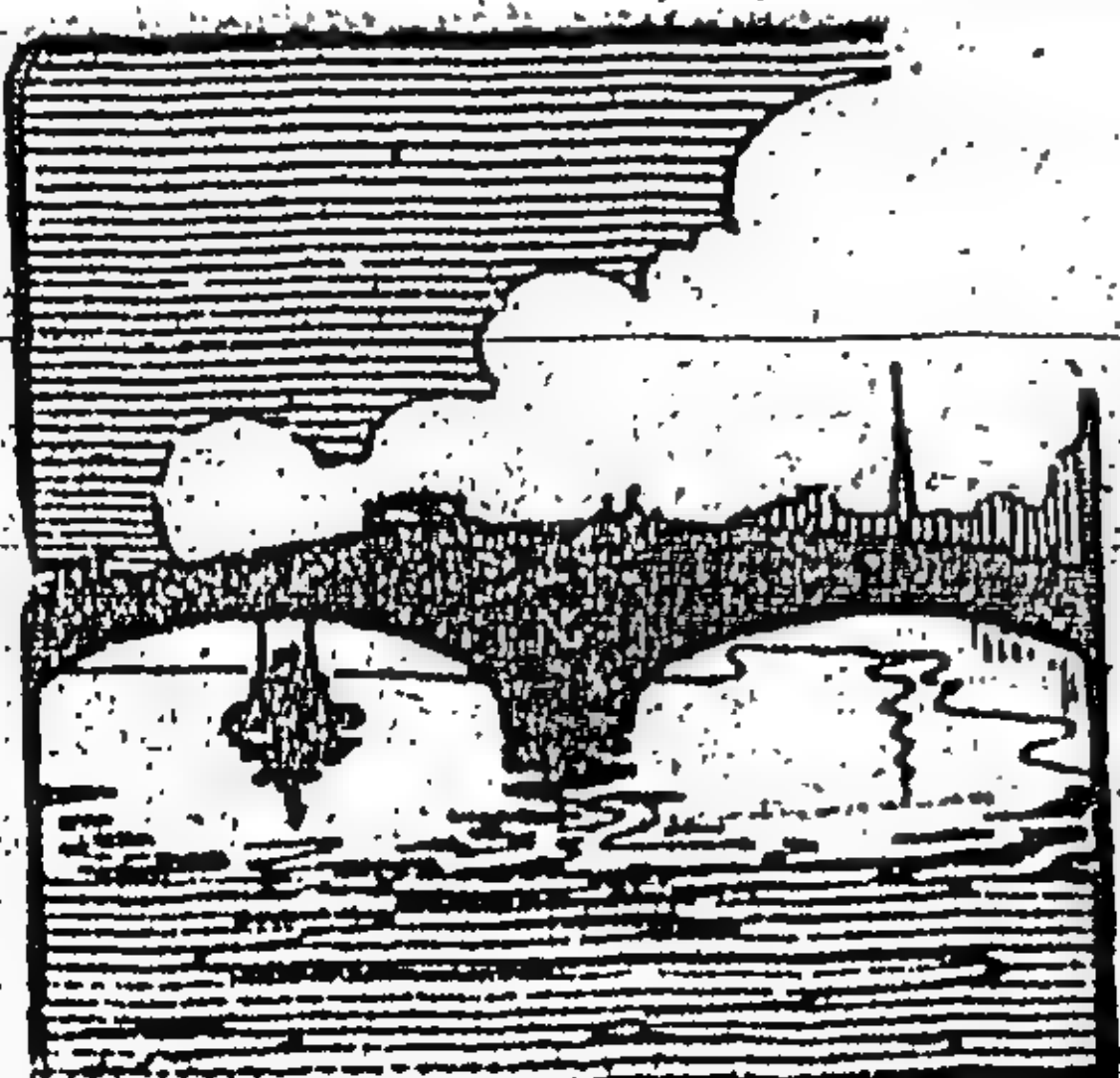
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### ASSISTANT TO MR. DUFF COOPER SAYS:

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"IF JAPAN does think of attacking Malaya, she will have her hands full, for the Japanese must realise now that we are much stronger in the Far East than ever before, and as time goes on the possibility of the United States entering the war becomes greater," said Mr. William Denis Allen, second secretary to the British Embassy in Chungking, on his arrival in Singapore.

Mr. Allen is to act as assistant to Mr. A. Duff Cooper, the British Cabinet Minister, who is on a mission for the War Cabinet.

"Japan," said Mr. Allen in an interview with the "Straits Times," "must have since felt the effect of the United States freezing order and American aid to Russia. She cannot fail to observe also that the American attitude in regard to the war has become increasingly stronger."

Mr. Allen said the Chinese in Chungking hoped that America would enter the war. They were of the opinion that if Japanese "expansion" continued, the United States would have to act more drastically than she had done hitherto.

Anglo-Chinese relations had been brought closer following the recent events in Europe, and it was quite natural that the Chinese tended to judge their relations with Britain by the effect of British policy in Hong Kong, Singapore and Burma, Mr. Allen said.

Chinese felt that the German attack on Russia had "simplified" the world situation. They knew now where they stood — with Japan, Germany and Italy on one side, and Russia, Britain and China on the other.

Asked about Chungking's reaction to Japan's acquisition of bases in French Indo-China, Mr. Allen stated that the Chinese felt that the more firmly established the Japanese made themselves in Indo-China, the more serious became their threat to the Burma Road.

### Threat To Yunnan

"It is not so much the potential threat to Thailand that the Chinese are concerned with as the possibility of a Japanese move through Yunnan to cut off China's vital supplies along the Burma Road," he said.

It was, therefore, very important that China should keep open that vital supply route, and that she and Britain should work in close collaboration to achieve that object.

The Chinese, he said, did not know much about Burma before hostilities began, but through the Japanese threat to her freedom and their ideas of a "southward expansion," Chinese came to realise the importance of Burma to them and the maintenance of the Burma Road.

Relations between China and Burma had grown closer since that discovery, and there had been a regular inter-change of visitors and officials between the two countries. Relations were now much closer than before.

### No Negotiated Peace

China was prepared to prosecute the war with Japan indefinitely and there was no possibility of a negotiated peace materialising between the two countries, Mr. Allen added.

Mr. Allen went on to describe the attitude of the population of Chungking in face of the continued air raids.

"The saying that every visitor to London remarks, 'Your policemen are wonderful' applies also to the morale of the Chungking populace," he said. "Their morale is wonderful; it is extraordinary. As soon as raiders have passed construction of new buildings continues."

Mr. Allen, who arrived with his wife, was formerly attached to the Foreign Office in London. He was sent to Shanghai before being transferred to Chungking, where he had been for the past year.

### BRITISH BANK OPENS IN ADDIS ABABA

Over an imposing doorway in one of the main streets of Addis Ababa there appeared for the first time on July 2 the familiar name of Barclays Bank, which has opened a branch there, states the "Daily Telegraph."

Londoners will probably be sent to the bank from headquarters as business develops, but for the time being the staff, like that of the branch recently opened in Asmara, in Eritrea, has been recruited mainly from the Alexandria office of Barclays' affiliated concern, the Dominion, Colonial and Overseas Bank.

None of the other members of the "Big Five" has such a step in contemplation. It is realised, however, that, with the formerly strongly entrenched Banco di Roma and the Banca d'Italia virtually out of business there, immense banking possibilities have opened up in Italy's lost East African Empire.

### TRIED SHOCK FROM LIGHT

Attempted suicide by electrocution by their house electricity supply was alleged against Sergeant Hedley Steer and his wife, Catherine Isable, of Howard Road, Catterick, who were bound over for six months at Richmond, Yorks.

A neighbour heard screams, and in their bathroom found Sergeant Steer with an electric wire attached to his wrist and connected with the light in the ceiling. Both were lying on the floor.

Sergeant and Mrs. Steer were taken to hospital, both badly burned.

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6.00 p.m.—Indian Programme.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.47 p.m.—New Variety and Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—Take The "A" Train; I Guess I'll Have To Dream The Rest... Glenn Miller & his Orchestra.  
Vocal—Blueberry Hill (Lewis, Stock, Rose); I Don't Want To Cry Any More (from film "Rhythm On The River")... Anne Shelton with Instr. accomp.

Fox-Trots—One Look At You; Lili Boy Love (from "A Night At Earl Carroll's")... Billy Cotton and his Band.

Vocal—Aurora (Berrios-Robert-Lav-go); Accorate Mas (Farres)... Tito Guizar with Orchestra.  
Fox-Trots—Blue Sugar; Farewell Blues... Clyde McCoy & his Orch.  
Vocal—We Three (My Echo, My Shadow & Me)... Elsie Carlisle with instrumental accomp.

Waltz—Ev'ry Time I Look At You; Quick-Step—Johnny Peddler (I Got)... Billy Cotton & his Band.

7.30 p.m.—Portuguese Programme.  
8.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News.  
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—War Commentary.

8.25 p.m.—London Relay—"Listening Post". Examination of Points in Daily German Propaganda.

8.30 p.m.—Programme Summary.  
8.32 p.m.—The New Mayfair Orchestra.  
Britelodia—A Selection of British Melodies (Humphries).

"Love, Life & Laughter"—Selection.  
8.48 p.m.—Drinking Songs.  
Drink, Drink, Brother, Drink—Waltz (Bendix)... Marek Weber & his Orchestra.

Drinks All Round—Intro: Vive La Compagnie; Come, Landlord Fill The Flowing Bowl; Little Brown Jug; Drinking; Old King Cole; What Shall We Do With The Drunken Sailor; Simon The Cellarer; Whiskey Johnny; Here's To The Maiden; We Won't Go Home Till Morning; Auld Lang Syne... Columbia Vocal Gem Company with Orch.

9.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Announcements.  
9.02 p.m.—Studio—Raymond Lui and His Hawaiian Troubadours.

1. My Tune; 2. It Happened in Kalo-ha; 3. Hilo March; 4. Hawaiian Sang Me To Sleep; 5. La Rosita; 6. Hawaiian Medley.

9.20 p.m.—Selections from Light Opera.

"The King Steps Out"—Vocal Gems (Kreiser)... Orchestra.

"Dollar Princess"—Medley (Fall)... Nat Shilkret & his Orchestra.

Love Never Comes Too Late (from "Pagani")—Lehar)... Richard Tauber (Tenor) & Evelyn Lave (Soprano) with The Lyceum Theatre Orchestra.

9.45-10.00 p.m.—News in French (on Short Wave only).

9.45 p.m.—Faure—Ballade, Op. 19. Mme. Marguerite Long (Piano) with Orchestra.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

10.15 p.m.—Bizet's "Carmen" Act I. Singers in order of appearance: Ines Alfani; Tedini; Astrid Baracchi; Aureliano Pertile; Bruno Carmassi; Aurora Buades and Chorus of La Scala, Milan, with the Milan Symphony Orchestra conducted by Lorenzo Molajoli.

11.15 p.m.—Close down.



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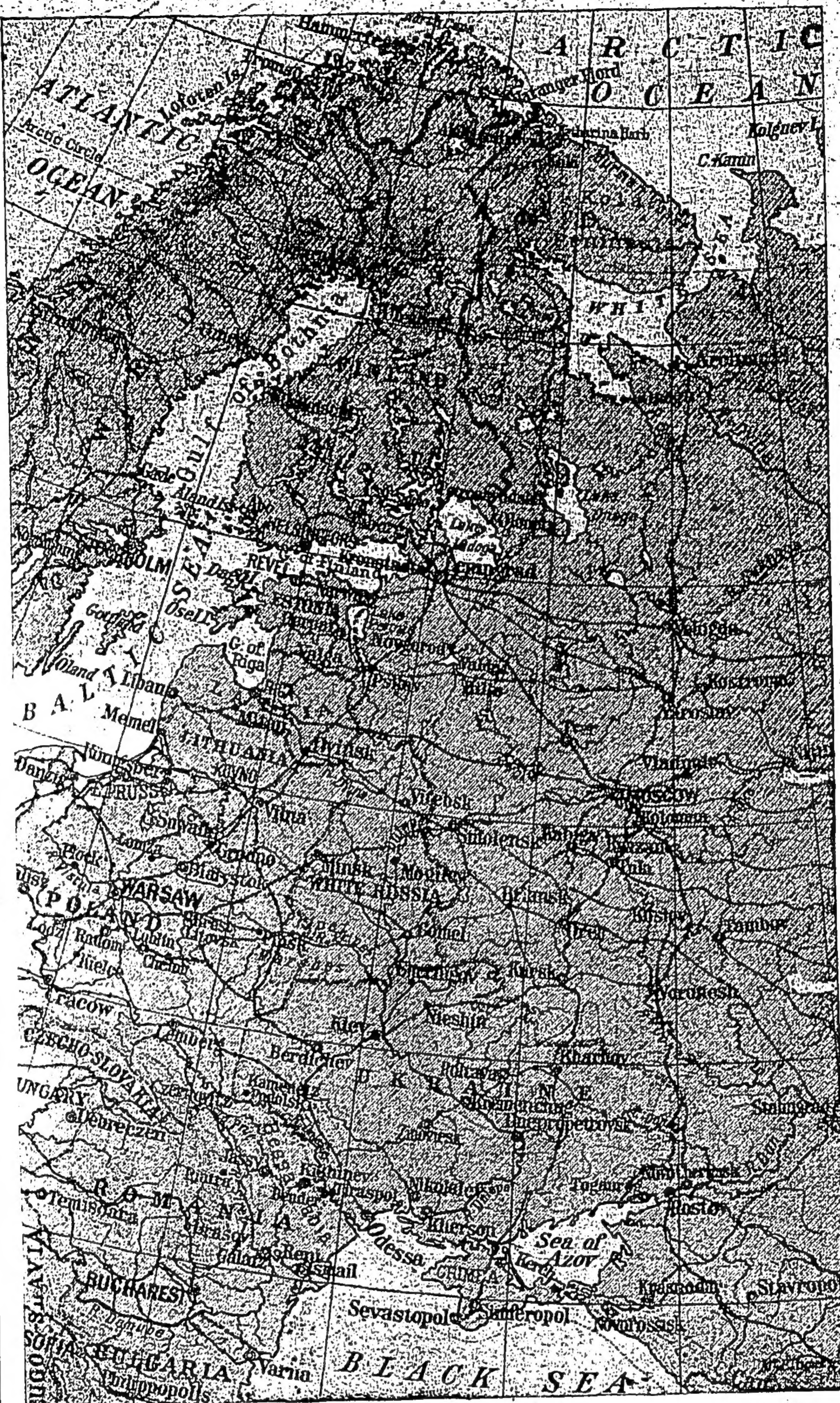
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ARCHIVES

Efforts are being made to encourage Government Departments to disgorge some of the masses of papers which have accumulated in the cupboards of Whitehall. The Paper Salvage department of the Ministry of Supply has its eye on this potential pulp.

It is reckoned that tons of the archives are of no value to anyone but the Paper Controller. Nevertheless, before they can be swept into his receptive hands a great deal of departmental red tape has to be cut.

First, the department concerned has to have extended to it the Rules for the Disposal of Valueless Documents. An Order in Council is necessary for this. A direction to this effect, for the



Ministry of Aircraft Production, was announced yesterday.

## According To Rule

Once a department is on official record as being subject to the rules, someone has to separate the obviously unimportant documents from those whose utility is doubtful. Then the doubtful papers have to be examined by the inspectorate officers appointed by the Master of the Rolls.

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GERMAN WOMAN  
FINDS JUSTICE

WHEN MRS. FEATHER CAMPBELL GRENVILLE HOLMS, 45, WIFE OF A RETIRED CAPTAIN, WAS FOUND GUILTY AT THE OLD BAILEY OF FRAUDULENTLY CONVERTING £150 ENTRUSTED TO HER BY IRMA MULLER, HER GERMAN COOK, THE COMMON SERGEANT, MR. CECIL WHITELEY, K.C., SPOKE ON JUSTICE.

The Common Sergeant recalled that just 24 years ago, during the last war, a jury at the Old Bailey had to consider a case affecting the credibility of an enemy alien. On that occasion Lord Coleridge reminded the jury that on the dome of the Chief Criminal Court stood the figure of the Goddess of Justice.

Miss Muller, who was said to have a brother in the German forces, stated in evidence that, persuaded by Mrs. Holms, she drew £140 from her savings bank and handed it to her mistress. Mrs. Holms returned sums of £3 and £1 10s.

Mrs. Holms said that she put the money in the box. The house was wrecked by a bomb, and she told Miss Muller that the correct thing would be to file a claim.

The Common Sergeant postponed sentence, remarking that restitution might make a difference in the length of imprisonment.

TALK IS  
STILL  
CARELESS

GERMAN SPIES AND FIFTH COLUMNISTS ARE UP AGAINST INCREASINGLY TOUGH OPPOSITION FROM THE BRITISH PUBLIC, BUT THERE IS STILL TOO MUCH CARELESS TALK WHICH MIGHT HELP THE ENEMY IN CASE OF AN INVASION.

That is the lesson learned from recent big-scale exercises in the Eastern Command.

"Fifth columnists" and "spies" employed by both sides found it hard to get useful information about troop movements from local inhabitants in town and countryside. They tried all cunning ways. But, unsuspectingly, some people gave away hints that helped the "spies".

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# ANNUAL AWARDS FOR THREE BEST BEHAVED CHINESE FOOTBALLERS

By "Referee"

The soccer matches at the end of last season and the one last Saturday have provided sufficient funds for the endowment of not only one scholarship at Chinan University, where the late Chen Chen-wo, all-China footballer, was educated, but also for a second, at the University of Amoy, the birth-place of Chen.

## BOWLS NEXT SATURDAY

Following is next Saturday's programme of postponed Lawn Bowls League games:

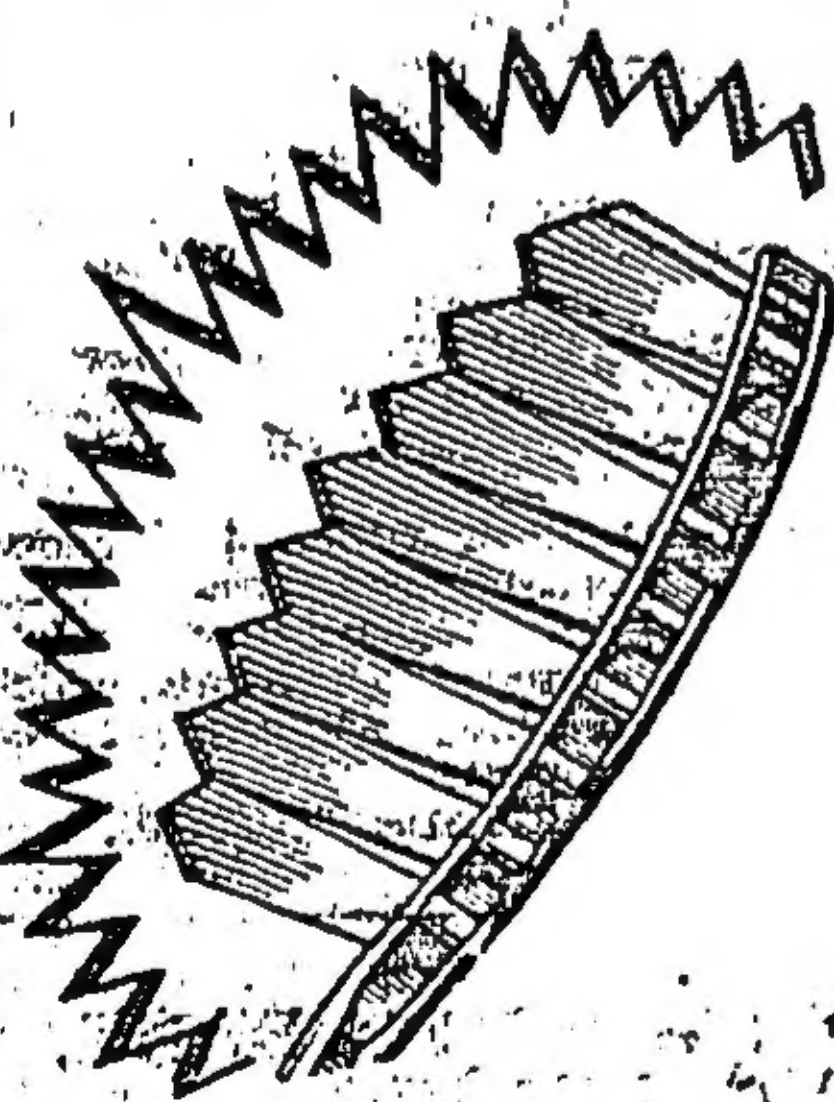
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H.K.C.C.	v.	K.F.C.	
H.K.F.C.	v.	I.R.C.	
P.R.C.	v.	K.B.G.C.	

The seventh swimming gala of Hong Kong and Kowloon Residents' Union, which was scheduled to take place on Saturday last, has been postponed to Saturday next, September 20, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Seldom is the time that there is not at least one All-America football player in the Flying Cadet ranks at Randolph Field. The latest class has one in Don F. Scott of North Canton, Ohio. Scott played quarterback for Ohio State and was picked on several All-America teams in 1939 and 1940.

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In the hockey (on roller skates) League for the Chi Yih Yat Po Cup, Hong Kong Skating Club "A" beat their "B" team at the Ciro Rink yesterday by an only goal, scored by Morrison.

To-morrow King's Skating Club meet Kowloon Skating rink and Blitz play Hong Kong Skating Club "B". Both games are at 6.30 p.m.

## CLUB BOWLS RESULTS

Following are the latest Club Lawn Bowls Tournament results:

**KOWLOON CRICKET CLUB CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Semi-Final: T. A. Madar beat E. Zimmern.

**HANDICAP SINGLES**  
Second Round: S. A. Gray (8) beat R. Leigh (4); W. C. Hung (12) received a walk-over from A. Madar (2); E. Curtis (2) beat A. Steven (scr.).

**KOWLOON BOWLING G.C. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**  
First Round: V. C. Dixon beat M. Ferguson. Second Round: E. A. Atkins beat F. A. Cheesman.

**PRESIDENT'S CUP**  
First Round: F. A. Cheesman beat A. G. Gardner; L. Guy beat J. S. Dinan. Second Round: C. S. M. Thom beat M. Ferguson.

**VICE-PRESIDENT'S CUP**  
First Round: A. G. Gardner beat S. C. Walker; L. A. Jordan beat W. D. Drake. Second Round: A. M. Holland beat E. A. Atkins.

**NON-PRIZE WINNERS**  
Second Round: E. V. Searle beat C. E. Turpin.

**KOWLOON DOCKS R.C. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP**  
First Round: T. Coleman beat R. H. Lapsley. Second Round: W. Williamson beat C. S. M. Thom.

**HANDICAP PAIRS**  
First Round: F. Cullen and C. S. M. Thom (-3) beat J. McKelvie and W. D. McMaster (-2). Second Round: M. Ferguson and J. McPherson (scr.) beat T. Coleman and W. Williamson (2).

**BAPCO SHIELD**  
First Round: W. McMaster beat W. Williamson; M. Ferguson beat A. W. Lapsley; C. S. M. Thom beat C. Logan.

## 12TH R.A. PROGRESS

Last season 12th Battery R.A. were able to run only one team in Third Division, where they did fairly well, while in Army soccer circles they won the Artillery Cup for competition between Batteries.

This season they will be seen in Second and Third Divisions of Hong Kong Football League.

The Second Division team will be captained by Gunner Lane, who was undoubtedly their best player last season.

## R.H.K. YACHT CLUB MEETING POSTPONED

The Annual General Meeting of Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, which was to have been held at the Club-house, Kellet Island, yesterday, was postponed owing to the threatening typhoon.

Paul Christman, 23-year-old All-American quarterback from the University of Missouri, has enlisted in the United States Naval Reserve as a chief boatswain's mate.

## MINIATURE FOOTBALL

In the Miniature Football League yesterday at Causeway Bay, Ma Luk Clinic beat St. Joseph's by 3 goals to 2, after leading 3-1 at the interval.

Saints took the lead through Leonard but Ma Luk replied through Chu Wing-keung, Lai Chung-yuen and Leung Ping-kwan.

In the second half Saints reduced the arrears when Costa netted from a penalty.

Teams were:  
Ma Luk Clinic: Shuen Po-on, Lam Tak-po, Fok Yiu-wah, Leung Ping-sun, Lai Chung-yuen, Chu Wing-keung, Leung Ping-kwan.  
St. Joseph's: Sammy Tsang, Costa, Hussain, Lau Wing-kong, Santos, Hendy, D. Leonard.

## AMERICAN POLO TOURNAMENT

American national polo championship matches were watched yesterday by Lord Louis Mountbatten who saw the Pelicans beat the Texans 9-7 and so qualify to meet the Aknusti, winners last year, in the semi-final.

One semi-final was played when Gulf Stream beat Westbury 7-4, the Westchester Cup players, Michael Phipps and Stewart Iglehart respectively leading Gulf Stream and Westbury.—Reuter.

The recreation grounds inside the Race Course at Happy Valley were opened for winter sports as from yesterday. Golf may be played in the mornings and on Tuesdays, Fridays and Sundays.

## MACAO RACE HANDICAPS

Handicaps for the September Meeting of Macao Jockey Club, at Areia Preta Course, Macao, on Sunday, are as follows:

Race 1—"The Wan Chai Handicap"—Half Mile—China Ponies "Y" Class:—Couteur Bleu 140, Fairy Auk 152, Fairy Ousel 150, Hogmanay 153, Fairy Auk 148, Meadow Eve 140, Merry Mak 140, Rotheray Bay 140, Victory Life 155.

Race 2—"The Mark Sha Wan Handicap" (2nd Section)—Six Furlongs—China Ponies "E" Class:—Black Diamond 152, Eagle 130, George 152, Hopeful Time 133, Labour Day 135, National Anthem 143, Sunshine Saddle 152, The Mermaid 141, The Spirit of St. Louis 135, Victory Life 135.

Race 3—"The North Handicap"—Five Furlongs—Australian "D" Class:—Blue Gown 135, Bucklelight 142, Rising Star 150, Tarzan 135.

Race 4—"The Adelaide Handicap"—Five Furlongs—Australian "D" Class:—Casino 135, Maple Star 140, National Victory 140, Tobaccoship 140.

Race 5—"The Governor's Cup"—One Mile—Special Dollar Sweep—China Ponies "D" Class:—Clownier 140, Eve of Hunting 150, Golden Cow 133, Just in Time 152, Lovely Star 152, Mauber 152, Rose Queen 144, Royal Highness 135, Royal Wedding Eve 150, Smiling Time 135, Sunlight View 135, The Leopard 135, This Time 140, West Lake 142.

Race 6—"The Mark Sha Wan Handicap" (1st Section)—Six Furlongs—China Ponies "E" Class:—Ascot Vale 157, Desert Star 140, Galant Marshal 143, Haddon 143, King's Worthy 150, Mae's Adventure 135, National Success 152, Plot Helm 150, Radium Star 140, Sports Venture 135.

## OXFORD MAY HAVE LOST 'VARSITY MATCH BY NOT BATTING SECOND

IN THE DAYS OF 11-30 CRICKET STARTS THERE WAS GENERALLY ENOUGH DEW ABOUT TO MAKE THE EARLY OVERS INTERESTING, WRITES L. V. MANNING. NOW 11-30 SUMMER TIME MEANS 9-30 SUN TIME, IT IS MORE THAN A BIT.

It is even possible that Oxford lost the one-day 'Varsity match' at Lord's by not putting Cambridge in, and some humorists in the pavilion did not fail to note that the first Oxford wicket was a catch by Dew.

This war-time tabloid certainly managed to hold on to some of the peace-time fixture qualities.

Cambridge actually passed their opponents' score of 171 for three wickets, with two hours to spare. But in order to carry out their contract with the 5,000 spectators, J. R. Bridger did not declare until 247 for seven wickets.

A cabinet meeting of the president and secretary of the M.C.C. with, believe it or not, a representative of the Press to help, decreed that the Cantabs had won by runs and not wickets.

### Catch Of The Season

The most unforgettable flash of cricket—by astronomical odds—was the catch by M. R. Holman that sent J. H. Gaster back.

A skimmer safely cleared point, but cover, sprinting up from nowhere—skidding the last few yards on his shins clutched the apparently unreachable.

R. E. Crighton's 99 was vigorous front of the wicket left-hand batsmanship, but he got so nervous about that over-rated mathematical milestone that his partners caught the panic and lost their wickets, too.

## REMINDER TO CLUBS

According to the Rules of Hong Kong Football Association a player who has played in two or more games in a higher division may not play in a lower division without the sanction of the committee.

A number of junior games will have to be played during the week and it is hoped that Clubs will not field players in these games who normally play regularly in a higher division.

## JOE DIMAGGIO HONOURED

Joe DiMaggio's teammates on the New York Yankees gave him a surprise party on August 28, presenting their star outfielder with a sterling silver humidor as a token of the important part he has played in the club's pennant drive. On the inside of the cover are engraved the individual signatures of the Yanks.

## QUADRANGULAR SWIMMING MEET POSTPONED TO OCT. 7

Both Sing Tao and Eastern are sending teams to Macao to participate in the Open events at the Annual Aquatic Meeting there on Thursday and Friday.

As a result of this, the quadrangular swimming gala in aid of British and Chinese Charities, between Lai Tsun, Victoria Recreation Club, Eastern and Sing Tao, which was to have been held on these dates, has been postponed until after the Colony Championships and will now probably be held on Tuesday, October 7, at Chinese Y.M.C.A.

## SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS POSTPONED

The Hong Kong Chinese Swimming Championships, which were to have commenced at the South China A.A. Pavilion to-day, have been postponed indefinitely.

New dates cannot be fixed until it is known what damage, if any, has been done to the pavilion and piers by the typhoon.

## BICKFORD ASKED TO PLAY

B. I. Bickford, of Club, has been invited to fill the left-wing position in the Governor's Cup team in the Charity football game on Sunday.

The major baseball leagues have presented the United Service Organizations with a cheque for \$53,226.27, representing the net profit on the All-Star game in Detroit on July 8.

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# MINDANAO PUT PAID TO MADCAPS' WINNING STREAK: WILDCATS ALSO STRIKE FORM

By "Grandstand"

**NICKING THREE MADCAP HURLERS FOR 12 DEVASTATING BLOWS, HIGHLIGHTED BY PURLING'S AND PAWLOSKI'S FOUR-MASTERS, U.S.S. MINDANAO NINE TRIUMPHED OVER THE UNBEATEN MADCAPS 17 TO 11 TO BREAK A FIVE-GAME WINNING STREAK, WHILST A CLUSTER OF FOUR COUNTERS IN THE INITIAL FRAME PAVED THE WAY FOR A WILDCAT 7 TO 4 VICTORY OVER THE GLAMOROUS CARDINAL BELLES IN SUNDAY'S PRE-SEASONAL EXHIBITION DOUBLE-HEADER BEFORE A FAIRLY LARGE CROWD ON THE KOWLOON FOOTBALL CLUB GROUND.**

Despite the fact that the Wildcat slugging first-sacker Irene Pereira — who will have the legal handle of Irene Souza soon after this appears in print — did not play, the Untamed Felines chalked up their first victory of the season behind the super-charged battery of Thelma Collaco and Cynthia "Sailor" da Motta, with a display of last year's rip-rarin' pennant-winning form.

Thelma Collaco whiffed two and walked two, whilst Redbird south-paw twirler Dolly Brown, who first came into prominence during the last International series, fanned four Wildcats and passed only one to first. Both hurlers were nicked for six hits apiece.

Wildcats jumped into a lead of four markers in the first canto on two hits, helped by a couple of Redbird miscues, and added one more in each of the next three semesters to garner seven tallies before they were stopped by a rousing Cardinal fielding recovery.

The Cards were, in their turn, blanked in one, two, three order for the first three frames, climaxed by Lily "Sunshine" Mar's sparkling unassisted double-killing in the third, when she froze on to Betty Fitzgerald's stinging liner which was labelled "base-hit" and put the whammy on Effie Babida, who scrambled back to second base too late.

In the fourth session, a three-hit attack was smothered for no gain, as Marie Roza singled but was nailed at third, when she attempted to make two bases on Guimar da Motta's sacrifice dump. Thelma Collaco, Ding Lopes and Gloria Mar handled the dazzling twin erasure.

## Close Play

Gladys "Grandma" Hutchinson also singled, but perished at the far turn, on Effie Babida's slash to centre, when the throw-in beat her to the sack by a whisker.

The play was close, and despite the song and dance kicked up by Vic Lim in the third-base coach's box, eagle-eyed umpire Welfie "Sarge" Welford stuck to his thumbs-up decision.

The Cards broke the ice in the fifth when Dolly Brown singled and strolled down to second on a passed ball, crossing the pan standing up on Gloria Mar's wild heave to first. The next counter came in when Kitty Bush dented the rubber on another wild heave.

In the last two chapters Redbirds had ducks in the pond but could not come through with the punch to produce the necessary markers.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Rogers Hornsby played with the Cardinals, Giants, Braves, Cubs and Browns and managed them all.

Marie Roza, Cardinal receiver, blasted out a three-in-four performance in the batter's box, whilst Wildcats' starchy third-sacker, Gloria Mar, included a two-bagger in her two blows in four trips to the plate. Lily Mar poled out the other extra-base clout with a rasping double.

## Madcaps Trimmed

Merry Madcaps suffered their first setback when Goodman's Mighty Mindanao run-making machinery, paced by hammering hindsatcher Tony Mascavage's three-for-four willow wilding, stopped them in their five-in-a-row victory parade with a barrage of 12 hits.

Mentor Eddie Marques utilised three hurlers, Bill Wilkinson being yanked after allowing six damaging safeties in three frames, whilst diminutive hurler "Americo" Lopes suffered a similar fate after yielding three solid blows, Carl Silva-Netto taking over the assignment for the rest of the scuffle.

For the victors, Bob Strahl relieved Trimble on the hill in the fourth, but the latter accounted for the only strike-out of the tussle as Madcap left gardener Willie Sprinkle went down swinging at his deceptive up-shoots.

## Held in Only One Frame

Mindanaoans scored in every frame except the last to total 11 counters, whilst Madcaps manufactured two in the first and were blanked for the next two chapters. In the fourth the stage was set for a Madcap rally with the sacks soused with two away, but the three potential scorers were just so many dead ducks as "Romeo" Hamet popped out to key-stoner Goodman.

"Skelly" Razack, former Cy-clone ace, returned a perfect performance with the hickory, connecting for four safeties in as many trips to the box, whilst round-trippers were banged out by Purling and Pawloski. Other extra-base knocks were banged in by Robby Rooha, Jersey, Gron-eck, Tony Mascavage, Earl Wilson and Buster Hollands with a two-bagger apiece.

Due to the fact that many of their players have now gone to the various missionary stations in different parts "up country," the Mohawks, from Stanley, will not be running a team this year in the Softball League.

Miss Ungeng Khoo, University lady badminton player, has been keeping fit during the summer by doing a great deal of swimming and is now looking forward to another successful season at badminton. A few of University's leading players have, in fact, already started light practice.

## SOME STORIES BY ENGLAND CRICKETER

Maurice Tate, England and Sussex cricketer, tells one or two good stories about the new ball. He says:—

"Talking about cricket balls, I can tell you that there are some weird and wonderful tricks played by counties here and there. I mention no names, but I assure you that I have been handed a new ball that had practically all the shine off it. It was a faded affair, one that only lived up to its name because it had never had a bat put down on it.

I should like to think that it was all a bad mistake. Yet, back of my mind is the sinister thought that the ball was studiously sorted out for the use of such a bowler as I had the good fortune to be. By happy chance, perhaps, I could make the new ball—a ball with the 'shine' on it—swing quite a bit. There's the snag! An unpolished ball didn't help a bit, a fact that I guess was known pretty well here and there. Anyhow, I can say that we never got a faded new 'un in home games!

## Humble Apologies

"There is, too, a certain make of cricket ball that is regarded by professionals as the best for seam swing. A county that has, in its time, taken off the championship honours used this ball exclusively—exclusively, I may say, until one fine day when Sussex visited them.

"What happened? I was handed one of a different make, one that was not quite so effective when it came to 'moving about,' as we money-players say. It was only by accident that I discovered this fact. There was a protest, followed by humble apologies for the mistake. We were told that the ball was the type usually used for practice, and had, by some strange twist, crept in among the match-ball allotment.

# POLICE CRICKET PROSPECTS ARE INDEED BRIGHT

By "Incog."

With all their players of last season available again, coupled with the fact that two men who were then away on leave have since returned and intend to turn out regularly, Police Recreation Club are looking forward with confidence to the cricket season and, as their new captain, A. Kirby, says, they "should have a much better season than they did last."

B. C. Fay, a fastish bowler who has played in friendly games for Hong Kong Cricket Club, has signified his intention of playing regularly for Police in the League, while G. Wright-Nooth has also intimated that he will play whenever not engaged in Rugby.

The two players who have come back from leave are P. H. Loughlin, for many years their opening batsman, and J. Forrest, while it is learned that the new Commissioner of Police, the Hon. Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, is also very keen on the game and it is hoped he will be able to play in at least some of the matches, if not regularly.

## Pope Available

C. Pope, who was one of the mainstays of Police attack when they won the League a couple of seasons ago, hopes to be able to play more cricket than he did last season, while the former captain, A. E. Carey, who did a good deal of bowling last season, will also be playing again.

Lewis, who shows promise of developing into a really fine bowler, will perhaps be devoting more time to Rugby, but he too will be available, and there is a possibility that B. G. Baker, for many seasons this club's fast bowler, will be one of the team right through the season.

## Keen On Sunday Games

Kirby, who keeps wicket, says his team are very keen on getting as many Sunday games as possible, but that until they have "got the bank of the bowling green down," it will not be possible to play cricket on the P.R.C. ground. Nets practice has already begun at this club, while those members of the Force who are in Kowloon are trying to make arrangements to get in some practice either on the Boundary Street ground or at Police Training School.

# STEVENS' 'HAT-TRICK' IN COLOMBO

The "hat-trick" has been performed three in Ceylon by visiting cricketers of International reputation, wrote "Onlooker" in the "Ceylon Observer" last month. The first to do so was R. E. S. Wyatt for the M.C.C. vs the Ceylonese in 1937. R. Oxenham performed the feat against Ceylon in 1935 for Ryder's Australian team. Two Sunday's ago G. T. S. Stevens, who was on a visit to Colombo, performed the feat against the C.C.C. and also took 7 wickets for 44.

Greville Stevens, now, 40, had a brilliant record with bat and ball at Oxford. In 1923, he aggregated 868 runs for his Varsity and took 43 wickets. He played 10 times for England and was in the memorable Test at the Oval in 1926, when England "recovered" the Ashes. He has scored over 10,000 runs and taken nearly 700 wickets. When attending school in 1918, Stevens once scored 466, not out, in a House match at Neasden.

## DODGERS SELL MACE BROWN

The Brooklyn Dodgers have sold their right-handed pitcher, Mace Brown, to the Los Angeles Angels of the Pacific Coast League. Brown was obtained early this year from the Pittsburgh Pirates. He was used in 24 games as a relief hurler, winning three and losing two.



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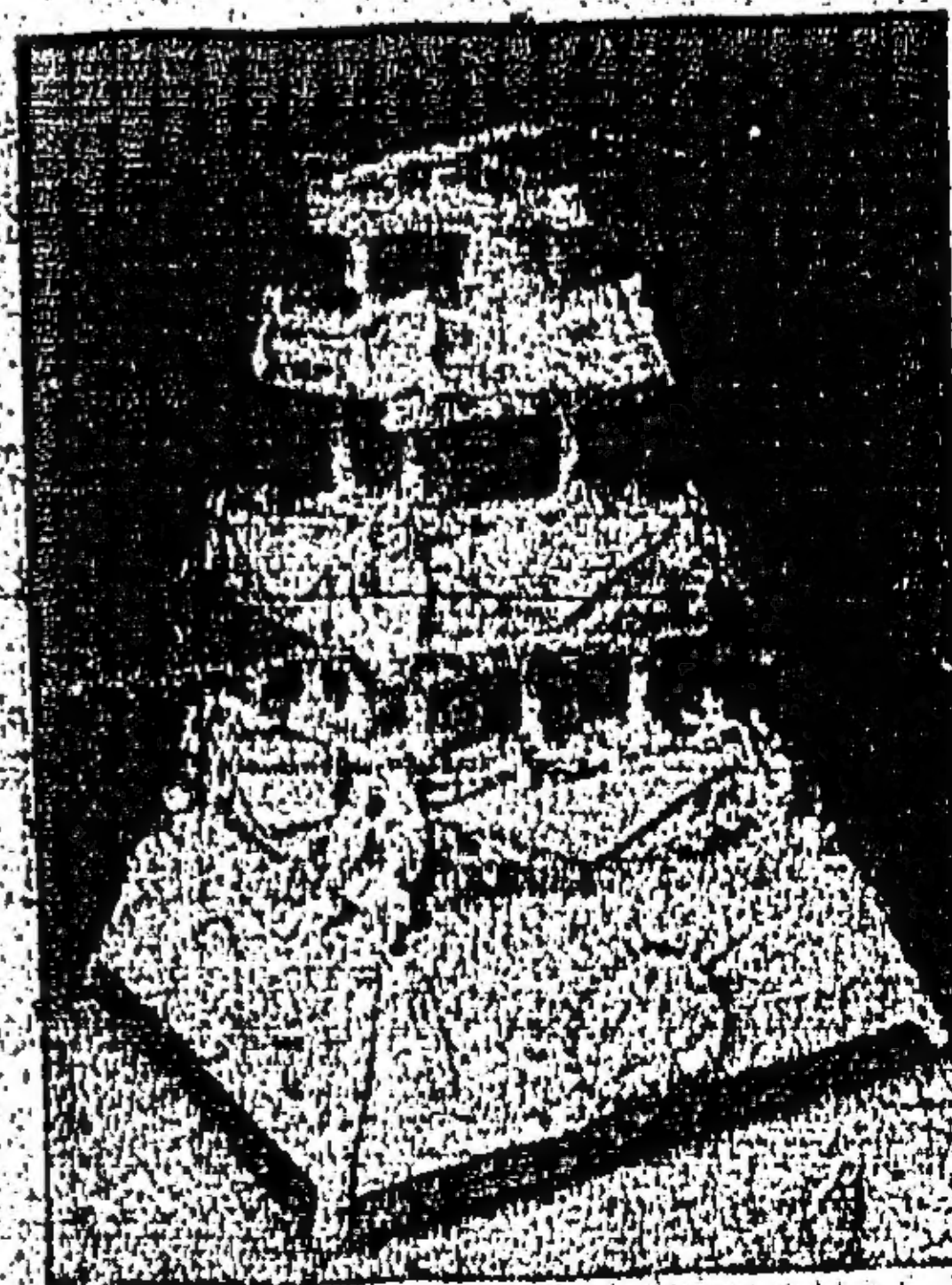
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# WARNING TO JAPAN

## Mr. Duff-Cooper's Broadcast From Singapore

### Belgian Story Of Escape

Five Belgians told the story in London yesterday of how they escaped from Germany into Russia and were evacuated from Spitzbergen by the Royal Navy in the recent raid.

British prisoners, who also escaped from Germany to Russia and who were taken to Moscow from the internment camp were instrumental in obtaining the release of these Belgians.

The Belgians had all escaped singly from Germany over the Russian frontier.

The story of one is typical of the experiences of the others.

Captured in June, 1940, he was with a party of Belgian prisoners of war who were marched every inch of the way from Belgium into Holland en route for internment in Germany.

During this march, the German officer shot dead a Belgian who was physically incapable of continuing.

Once in Germany, the Belgian said, he was forced to work sweeping roads and breaking stones. At last he was moved to a farm in Memel territory, fifteen miles from the Russo-German frontier.

He finally escape at the end of April, 1941, and after two days of fording rivers, crawling through barbed wire and dodging sentries, he reached Soviet territory.

The Belgians all say they were treated most kindly by the Russians although the guard kept over them was very strict. — British Wireless.

### Solidity Of ABCD Front

A SOBER, GUARDED warning to Japan that she is to-day "one isolated Power facing overwhelming superiority in the Pacific," and a declaration that "it seems, therefore, hardly believable that the one Axis Power in the Pacific world will deliberately bring down upon her head the concentrated wrath and fury of all the Allied powers that stand firmly united on this side of the world," were made by Mr. Alfred Duff-Cooper, who is on a special mission, in a broadcast to London from Singapore last night concerning his first impression of the Far East.

Mr. Duff-Cooper pointed out that the Pacific Ocean was the biggest in the world, being vaster than all the lands of the world combined, and "it may well be that the Pacific world will play a greater part in human affairs in the future than the world of the Atlantic."

Analysing the situation in the Pacific to-day, Mr. Duff-Cooper stressed that there was only one Power pledged to the Axis, while those representing the Allied cause made up a formidable array.

Examining those Powers in detail, he made the following comments:

China: Four hundred million people in whose hearts beat a new patriotism, the fruit of aggression, a new sense of unity, and a new

passionate determination to maintain their independence and drive the invader from their shores.

#### N.E.I.

The Netherlands East Indies: "Those beautiful fertile lands which the Dutch have governed so admirably. Dutchmen who have already demonstrated by land, sea and air that they have not forgotten their glorious military past."

Russia: Remorseless, almost invincible fighter... which sprawls over half Europe and Asia.

The United States: "Whose gigantic shadow... of 130,000,000 people pledged to the destruction of tyranny... looms behind the British Empire."

The British Empire itself, whose "whole forces are pledged to the support of the Allies... with the backing of Australia and New Zealand—young nations with vigour, courage and vision of a great future."

#### Transformation

These Powers, continued Mr. Duff-Cooper, are "formidable." A year ago they were in a doubtful position, Russia, being connected with the Axis and the United States being much less ready to help the cause of liberty and justice.

"However, the situation has undergone a complete change... there can be no doubt what the result will be when so many nations are united together and ready for whatever may come." — Reuter.

### ARMING OF SHIPS DEMANDED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The proposal that the United States should arm all merchant vessels was made by Senator Guffy of Pennsylvania, when Congress reassembled at Washington.

High administration chiefs indicate that the next step in American foreign policy will be determined by Hitler's reactions to President Roosevelt's warning.

"I am for arming all ships, not only with deck guns but also with the most modern anti-aircraft guns," said Senator Guffy.

The House reassembled chiefly for speeding final action regarding the three and half billion tax bill, but it is expected the House will wrangle over foreign policy and the strong speech by President Roosevelt. — International News Service.

### TYPHOON STOP PRESS

(Continued from Page 1)  
hoisted shortly after 9.30 a.m. and the tramway and ferry services stopped running about fifteen minutes later.

Both the public session and that in camera, of the A.R.P. Department Inquiry Commission scheduled for to-day have been postponed.

The time of resumption of the Inquiry will be announced later.

Damage to the grandstands on the different football grounds in the Colony were about the only "ill-effects," ashore, of the typhoon up to 1.30 p.m., the biggest damage being that done on the Navy ground at Causeway Bay where the newly-erected stands were razed to the ground.

At Sookunpoo, a similar fate befell the Army grandstands, but at Caroline Hill and Happy Valley the damage was not so extensive.

In the Central district, the only damage noticed was that to the point-duty policeman's stand outside the ferry wharf. Bits of this were found on the pavement, outside the O.S.K. office.

#### Huge Sprays

The typhoon shelter at Causeway Bay presented an animated scene, with hundreds of junks, large and small, joined together with ropes and strings, while the boat people, defying wind and rain, were "on deck" watching the waves dashing against the breakwater, sending up sprays tens of feet high.

Hundreds collected on the waterfront in Wanchai, near Kellet Island, where a junk was noticed to be drifting past the island towards the west, while naval vessels and tug boats had full steam up, riding the storm in the middle of the harbour.

At the height of the storm, Harrison Forman, N.B.C. commentator, "the ostrich man," complete with a full equipment of movie and "still" cameras, sallied forth from the Hong Kong Hotel, determined to "shoot some of your typhoon scenes." Just for good luck, he stopped in the lobby, produced camera complete with flash-light, and took a picture of a friend who was taking refuge from the storm in the Hotel!

Seen again on his return from his expedition, Mr. Forman said he had secured some first class shots with the same movie camera that he "nearly carried with him through the German-Russian war!"

#### Car Drivers Cautious

It was difficult to get a motor car, the drivers making it clear that they "would only go that far and no further," so that those who wanted to visit the outlying districts had to abandon such ideas.

Along Hennessy and Lockhart Roads, the place was strewn with pieces of broken flower pots, sign boards and windows, while members of the Police Force were wearing their tin helmets as a guard against any possible "flying fragments."

#### High Wind To Continue

The Royal Observatory announced at 2.30 p.m. that "At 1 p.m. the typhoon passed between 10 and 15 miles south of the Colony, between Gap Rock and Hong Kong."

"At 2 p.m. the typhoon was very close to the east of Macao moving north-north-west."

"Wind of typhoon force will continue for some time to-day in Hong Kong gradually decreasing in velocity."

"The No. 8 Typhoon Signal replaced the No. 9 at 2.20 p.m."

#### Mr. Austin Mishap

On duty in the neighbourhood of Mount Austin Barracks, a Shantung Police Sergeant (D98) was blown off his feet and fell down a hillside shortly before 11 a.m.

The man was rescued by British soldiers and carried to the barracks where he was given first aid treatment.

His injuries required him to enter hospital but owing to the gale prevailing in the vicinity of Mount Austin no ambulance or car could safely traverse the road to the barracks.

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Later.  
Latest reports state that the 3,000-ton ship, which went ashore off Mount Davis shortly after 12 noon, was drifting towards the minefield. Police and naval craft have been sent out to render assistance.

A Norwegian vessel was sighted drifting towards a minefield in the direction of Kau I Chau Island at 12.30 p.m.

The riverboat, Tang Wo, which went ashore on Stonecutters floated itself and is now safe.

The tramcar service has been resumed since 3 p.m.

The bus services on the mainland were resumed at 3 p.m.

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#### DEATH

FUNG KONG UN.—On Sunday, September 15, 1941, at No. 54, Bonham Road, Hong Kong, FUNG KONG UN (owner of Fung Tang), aged 68 years, Funeral will take place on Wednesday, September 17, and last respects will be paid at the Farewell Pavilion, Kennedy Town, at 2 p.m.